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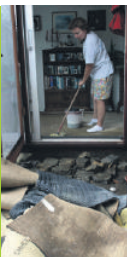
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RESPECT OUR RIVER

White Cliffs Countryside Project clean-up volunteers have spoken out about the "utterly depressing" state of the River Dour in Dover.

Workers spent hours collecting rubbish along Barton Path and left a pile consisting of an old trolley, six traffic cones and a collection of bottles and bags to be collected later. But within less than a day almost all the rubbish had been thrown back in the river.

Those behind the clean-up project are urging people in Dover to respect the town and its natural beauty by keeping it tidy.

BY MARIJKE COX

WHEN Deal man Andy Muir was set upon by a group of youths, the last thing he expected was to end up in a police cell.

But after sustaining facial injuries and bruises in a vicious attack, he was the one arrested and charged.

Mr Muir, 46, had tried to defend himself against his attackers and as a result was accused of assault.

He said: "The whole thing happened so quickly, but it began when I saw one of the kids, who was drunk, trying to get into a car to drive.

"Two girls were telling him not to, so I went over to try to stop him. A group of kids surrounded me and one of them spat at my feet.

"I'm a gardener and my van is always full of implements, so I grabbed a hatchet to protect myself. I dropped it before they got near, then I was jumped by about seven of them."

According to Mr Muir, five police cars and ten officers attended the incident, which took place in the Stanhope Road car park on Thursday at about 6.30pm.

Mr Muir said: "I was covered in blood when the police turned up. They said they were embarrassed but had to arrest me because one of the kids said I'd hit him with the hatchet.

"I may have scratched him when I was trying to defend myself, but I definitely didn't hit him with it."

Mr Muir, a former youth worker, says he has seen a rise in the amount of anti-social behaviour in Deal. He said: "For the last six weeks we've rung the non-emergency number countless times but the police are no help."

Other residents have also lodged complaints.

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Bus route that leaves elderly folk wanting

BY MARIJKE COX

ELDERLY people in Deal are finding themselves paying high taxi fares due to an insufficient bus route to their doctor's surgery.

The Balmoral practise has recently been moved from Queen Street in north Deal to Canada Street, Walmer, and patients are finding the distance a problem.

Many have found the bus service inadequate, with at least two changes required to get to the new surgery.

A petition has now been started calling for bus operator Stagecoach to address the situation and provide a better service for people living in the north Deal area.

Mayor of Deal, Bill Gardner, said: "Even the bus service that does run fails to bring people near enough to the new surgery."

"What we want is for Stagecoach to run a route from the north end of Deal up to the Balmoral surgery car park from between 8am-11am and then 2.30pm-6pm."

"A lot of elderly people who live

here have been paying six pounds in taxi fares to the surgery and then six pounds back.

"There's an agreement from senior doctors to help us run a petition."

Town councillor Bryan Henderson has also been approached by residents fearing they may have to change doctors.

He said: "People put a lot of trust in their doctor so they don't want to just leave and go to another one."

"There are a lot of elderly people in this area who need to be able to get to the surgery so we're talking to Stagecoach to see what they can do."

Paul Clark, operations manager at Stagecoach, said: "I've only just heard about the problems with this and I've told Cllr Henderson I will respond to him as soon as possible."

"We always take our customer's view points on board before making decisions."

"We also have regular reviews of the networks so in this case if we can do something in the current schedule then we will do our best."

But in a letter to Your Dover, Cllr Gardner stated that Stagecoach had so far been "extremely unhelpful" in the matter.

He asks people visiting the Balmoral surgery sign the petition.

'Police are no help' against young people

CONTINUED FROM FRONT PAGE

One woman, who asked not to be named, said: "I'm too embarrassed to have friends and family to stay now. The police don't do a thing."

A Kent Police spokesman said: "We are aware young people congregate in this area."

"Patrols have been stepped up and alcohol has been confiscated."

"Residents are being visited by Sgt Nicky Steele of Deal's neighbourhood policing team. Sgt Steele has also arranged for a site meeting to look at the possibility of temporary cameras being installed to monitor problems."

"There was an incident on Thursday, when we were told that a man with an axe allegedly confronted a group of youths."

"He was arrested and released on bail while officers investigate. It is also alleged the man was attacked by some of the youngsters."

Cash for charity

KENT radio station Invicta FM has donated almost £2,000 to a charity that helps children with disabilities.

Pegasus Play Scheme provides a summer play group offering activities for children with difficulties with the help of teenage volunteers.

Invicta FM teamed up with V Charity, which helps bring opportunities to young people in Kent, to help fund the scheme and donated £1,970, which will pay for training of the volunteers and a supervisor.

Pegasus is open to people across Kent and offers parents and carers help during the holidays, alleviating the stresses often involved with looking after a disabled child.

Incinerator idea heats up debate

AN INVESTIGATION by Channel Four into waste disposal has revealed an incinerator could be considered for a site in Whitfield.

At least 30 councils across Britain have identified possible sites which could house incinerators in an attempt to deal with the growing amount of waste across the country.

But Phil Scrivener at Kent County Council believes it's still too early to consider the idea.

He said: "It's far too soon to even think an incinerator could be built in Whitfield. There are four potential sites in Kent - one could be used or none at all."

"This is simply part of our Waste Development Framework which guides planning decisions about waste. It's nothing new and a long way off if anything was to happen."

Steve Dawe, press officer for Kent Green Party, thinks the council should focus instead on a zero waste approach, including the use of composts and an increase in recycling.

He said: "Councils that are supplying waste for incinerators are not being able to improve recycling to reach their maximum achievable target. Incinerators release dioxins into the environment as well as causing a large number of vehicle movements."

"Dover already has extreme traffic congestion and emissions from the ferries at the port. By building an incinerator, heavy goods vehicles carrying waste will all be moving to one specific point."

"Dover doesn't have a good recycling record. The best thing they can do is make sure they have a good kerbside collection from people directly."

KCC, however, is adamant an incinerator is not planned for the immediate future.

Mr Scrivener said: "We're a long way off from any decisions or even the suggestion that an incinerator could be built."

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Nature reserve idea all set to take flight

Farmland to be put to more productive use with your help

■ BY DAVE MAIRS

ONE of the most spectacular nature reserves in southern England is planned for farmland between Sandwich and Deal.

The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds is close to completing the purchase of three farms near Worth in one of the most exciting projects undertaken in its 119-year history.

The Lydden Valley already hosts a range of marshland birds, but their numbers are a fraction of what they once were. Like so many marshland areas, drainage for agriculture reduced the Lydden Valley's appeal to wildlife drastically, but now the RSPB intends to reverse the process.

It is hoped 235 hectares (581 acres) of the valley can be brought into RSPB ownership, but there is still the small matter of more than £1,460,000 of funding needed. The full cost of purchase and management over the first four years will be more than £2,600,000, with £1,151,000 having been secured through grant aid. To this end, the RSPB has launched a public appeal to help it reach the final total.

Alan Parker is the RSPB's Kent reserves manager and will be overseeing the project. He



APPEAL: Alan Parker is thrilled to be a part of the Lydden Valley project, which he says is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity said: "Several linked pieces of farmland in the Lydden Valley have become available to buy at the same time – I can't imagine an opportunity like this coming up again in my lifetime."

Once-common marshland birds like redshank, lapwing and snipe could again be a regular sight and sound in the valley, their numbers having plummeted across much of the country following wetland drainage.

And this is the key to the RSPB's plans: the drainage pipes which were used to lower the water table will be broken up so much of the site will revert to wet grazing marsh. Also restored will be the land's ancient network of 'grips' – shallow watercourses that provide feeding areas for wading-bird chicks.

In a nice twist, John Wheadon, the man who laid the pipes some 25 years ago, is the same individual who will be breaking them up. Work is expected to start in September.

Two chunks of woodland will be included, while a 30-acre reedbed will also be developed. The latter should attract bitterns, arguably the

most iconic of all wetland birds and brought to the edge of extinction in the UK before groups such as the RSPB stepped in. Indeed, it was the search for potential bittern sites that brought the area to the society's attention some 10 years ago.

The land is naturally marshy, and in reality the drainage never worked as intended.

"It's not as if we're taking away valuable farmland from the nation," said Mr Parker. "As agricultural land, it's not up to much – it should never have been drained in the first place."

As if the ravages of farming hadn't been enough, the coal-mining industry also took its toll, a slag-heap having destroyed an extraordinary marsh at Cottingham Court.

This was a site that held breeding birds such as little bittern, Baillon's crane (probably) and Montagu's harrier, two of which are not even regular nesters in this country.

If the RSPB gets it right at the Lydden, just maybe Kent can welcome them back.

• To learn more about the project, visit www.rspb.org.uk/news/details.asp?id=tcn:9-194435.

Cadets raise sights to more members

DOVER Air Training Corps is looking to recruit more members following its success at Dover carnival.

The squadron formed part of a 50 piece band from across Kent and impressed crowds with their performance.

Charlie Elphicke, Tory parliamentary candidate for Dover and Deal, visited the cadets with Dover District Councillor Nigel Collor.

Mr Elphicke said: "The ATC is really important to our community."

"The kids learn the importance of teamwork and respect – things too often missing in our neighbourhoods."

"There are 23 cadets in total who gain valuable education qualifications as well as having a lot of fun and learning to fly."

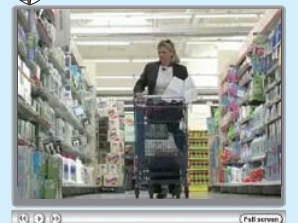
"They are lead by Flight Lieutenant Nigel Harman, who's a great leader and a real inspiration. They really stole the show at the Dover carnival – well done to them."

Flt Lt Harman said: "I am very proud of my cadets and staff, who are living proof there are plenty of young people in Dover who want to 'rise above the rest' and do something challenging and worthwhile."

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Can you beat the credit crunch by crossing the Channel?

Director is thanked for 25 years of dedication

A FUNERAL director from Deal has received a special award to thank him for his services to the community.

Jeff Tyrell, of E B Cavell in Albert Road, was given £1,000 commending him for 25 years of work within the Dover district.

He was presented with the award by Mark Spooner, funeral service manager of Dignity Caring Funeral Services.

Mr Tyrell said: "I have been with E B Cavell for over 25 years and I have always found my position to be very rewarding."

"It is a privilege to help bereaved families at their time of need and I get an enormous amount of satisfaction knowing that I have helped them through every step of the way."

Mr Tyrell plans to spend part of his award on a flight in a Tiger Moth plane at Headcorn on Tuesday, July 29.

He is the third member of the E B Cavell team to be given a long service award this year after Paul Parfitt celebrated 15 years and Gail Gelling 20 years.

Passionate people needed to meet and greet visitors

VOLUNTEERS are being sought from across the district to welcome visitors from around the world to the gateway of England.

Based on the Big Apple Greeters of New York, the new scheme aims to give tourists the best possible experience when visiting Dover, Deal and Sandwich.

Visit Kent at Kent County Council is working with Dover District Council to launch the White Cliffs Country Greeters and it is hoped the initiative will be rolled out across the whole country.

Peter Shaw, who helped set up the first British greeters scheme, said: "Greeters are people with a pride in their area and a passion for a place they are keen to share with our visitors."

"They are not official tour or travel guides. They might, for instance, be able to advise a family on places to take the children or they might have specialist knowledge in local history, music or art."

A meeting is being held at Deal Town Hall this Friday at 6.30pm for anyone interested in becoming a greeter for the district.

Clubs and societies are also being approached to see whether members will get involved in the scheme.

Fran Warrington, head of Visit Kent at KCC, said: "We hope a number of people with a wide variety of interests will come forward and offer their time and enthusiasm."

"That will let us match the greeters with individual visitors and their interests to offer them the best experience when they come to the beautiful White Cliffs Country."

The initiative, part of the Pride in Kent campaign, has already proved a success in Thanet and organisers hope this will continue in the Dover district.

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NEWS IN BRIEFSign your child up
for the Olympics

ORGANISERS behind the Olympic street party next month have launched an appeal for children born on December 20, 2004, or 2012 day, to come forward.

As part of the Children's Promise, those born on that particular date across the country have been given the chance to register and play a role in the 2012 Olympic Games in London.

Now youngsters in the Dover district are being invited to take part in the street party on the seafront celebrating the handover of the Olympic torch from Beijing to London.

The free event on August 24 is being organised by Dover District Council and the town council and features a wide range of activities leading up to fireworks on the Prince of Wales Pier.

Those who wish their children to be involved in the Dover celebrations should contact Gillian Gayton at Dover District Council on 01304 872424 or email gillian.gayton@dover.gov.uk.

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Mylene Klass talks to reporter Julie Maddocks in Dover

Charitable efforts no
secret in this society

MEMBERS of the public visited a masonic hall in Dover to learn about the so-called secret society.

The tour took place at the bright blue lodge on Snargate Street, a building often believed to oppose the secrecy associated with the Freemasons.

Brian Powell, assistant provincial grand master in the East Kent Province, and Mike Farrell, charity steward in the Cornwallis Lodge of Installed Masters in Dover, hosted the event.

As well as discussing the historic background of the Masons, they showed members of the public the area in which meetings take place and "aprons" worn by Freemasons

■ BY MARIJKE COX

during those discussions.

They also spoke about the number of charities they support and how the secret reputation of the Masons is exaggerated and not so covert after all.

Mr Farrell said: "I enjoy the ceremonial side of being a Mason. There's camaraderie and it's good to be around like-minded people."

"Every man wears a tie at ceremonies and they all have manners. When you get several hundred men singing God Save the Queen that's what does it for me - that's one of the great things about it."

In the past it was only men who could be involved in Freemasonry

but years on women have been accepted and it has become much more open.

Meetings are members-only, but events are held throughout the year where families are welcome.

Mr Powell joined the Masons in Dover when he first moved to the town.

He said: "When I moved to Dover I was quite lonely as I didn't really know anyone, but as soon as I joined the Masons I made so many friends and it really opened everything up for me."

"I'm very proud to be a Mason."

East Kent Freemasons are heavily involved with charity work and have donated hundreds of thousands of pounds to many worthwhile charities across Kent and

the UK over the years.

One organisation that has recently benefited from their work is the Whitecliffs Talking Newspaper for the Blind, which provides recordings of local news for visually impaired people.

Members of the Dover Castle Masonic Lodge donated £200 to the charity, whose patron is Sir Norman Wisdom OBE.

Mr Powell said: "We very much support the work of the Whitecliffs Talking Newspaper and its volunteers."

"We are pleased that once again local Freemasons are able to lend a hand with this donation."

For more information on Freemasonry visit www.eastkentfreemasons.org.

HERE WE
COME!

Little egrets are an increasingly common sight in east Kent, notably in the Pegwell Bay and Sandwich Bay area, as the species, once hunted relentlessly for its plumage across continental Europe, establishes a foothold here.

The birds, which are small white herons, have been occurring in greater numbers across southern England as they take advantage of increasingly milder winters.

Their original European stronghold was in the Mediterranean area, but they spread north before almost being wiped out on the Continent a century ago to provide feathers for women's hats.

Conservationist Martyn Nicholls said: "Previously the species would only be a short-term visitor to these shores."

"Now the increased average temperatures mean that conditions are excellent for it to establish nests as it needs to live near water with a ready source of food."

One of the country's healthiest colonies is at the Northward Hill RSPB reserve in north Kent.



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Wear your yellow vest or be nicked

A NEW law in France insisting that all drivers carry a fluorescent vest in their vehicle is causing confusion at the Port of Dover.

Many holidaymakers queuing for ferries across the Channel are unaware they should legally be carrying one until they arrive at the port.

Those caught without a vest could find themselves slapped with an on-the-spot fine of £100 if caught by French police, although currently a three-month honeymoon period is in progress with warnings being issued instead of fines.

The new law, which came in on July 1, is part of a health and safety campaign on French roads featuring fashion designer Karl Lagerfeld, head designer at Chanel.

But two weeks after the rule came in, less than half travelling with major operator P&O Ferries had a vest in their vehicle.

As drivers arrived for sailings, staff at the port checked to see if travellers were carrying one.

Brian Rees, of P&O Ferries, said: "More than half, 56 per cent, didn't. The message simply hasn't got through."

■ BY MARIJKE COX

"It's cheap and easy to comply, so it is crazy not to stay on the right side of the law with this one. It makes safety sense anyway."

But some drivers were unaware of the new law stating that no one prior to their arrival in Dover had informed them of the changes. Day-trippers Antony and Marianne Collins, from Thanet, were among those without a high-visibility vest in their car.

Mrs Collins said: "We had no idea of this until we arrived for the ferry."

"I understand the safety issues but there was no advanced warning so I hope the French police aren't too strict about it at the moment."

"We come over on day trips quite a lot as we're both retired and it's very quick to get to Dover from where we live."

"We're going to have to buy a vest now – rather than a £100 fine."

The vests are available at the AA Travel Shop at the Port of Dover.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Standing ovation from D-Day paras

DEALS own "forces sweetheart" has met two of her heroes at the War and Peace show held at the Hop Farm.

Kas, who performs 1940s music around the county, was overcome with tears when two American veterans of the original Band of Brothers gave her a standing ovation.

The singer chatted to the two men, Earl McClung and Don Malarkey, who were paratroopers in Easy Company who were dropped behind German lines minutes after midnight on D-Day.

Kas said: "This is such a poignant moment for me. I have seen the Band of Brothers series over and over again. It was that programme which got me into 1940s music and the whole forces sweetheart thing."

"And now to be able to sing in front of two men who were actually part of that company, well, it's just amazing."

Mr McClung said: "She was absolutely brilliant. It took me back to when we were in England during the War."

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Organised by the Sandwich Bookshop, the event ties in with the release of Weir's latest novel, Katherine Swynford, the story of John of Gaunt and his scandalous duchess.

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Wartime airfield's battle for recognition

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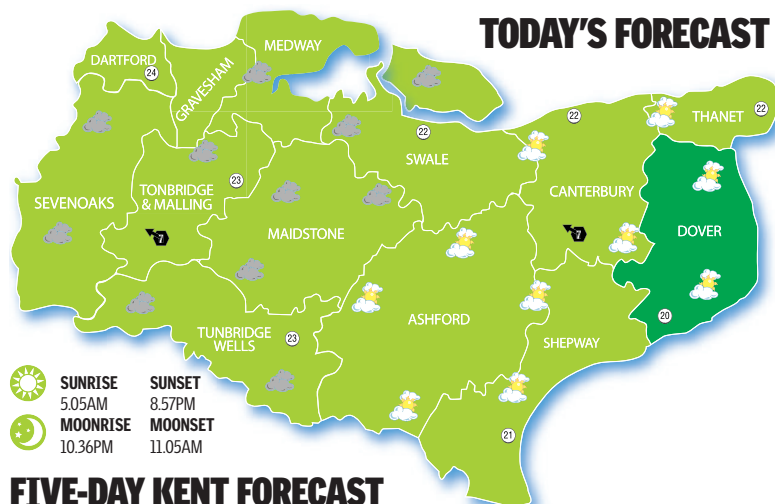
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Dungeness	Saturday	3:38pm	7.5m
	Sunday	4:25pm	7.3m
Ramsgate	Saturday	4:12pm	4.9m
	Sunday	4:58pm	4.8m
Sheerness	Saturday	5:11pm	5.5m
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Whitstable	Saturday	5:04pm	5.2m
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Canterbury	21°C	22°C	23°C	25°C	24°C	Maidstone	24°C	24°C	26°C	27°C	26°C
Chatham	22°C	22°C	22°C	24°C	24°C	Ramsgate	21°C	22°C	23°C	25°C	24°C
Dartford	24°C	24°C	26°C	27°C	26°C	Rochester	22°C	22°C	22°C	24°C	24°C
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Coastguard strikers backed by MP Gwyn

GWYN Prosser MP has shown his support for Dover Coastguard staff in their pay dispute.

In their third strike of the year, workers picketed outside the Swingate base to protest about grading and low wages.

The strikers, who are all members of the Public and Commercial Services Union (PCS), are unhappy about being graded at a lower level than other emergency services.

Staff from operations rooms across the country also took industrial action in March and April to fight their case with the Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA).

After the action at the weekend, a spokesman said: "It went well. Gwyn Prosser came down to show his support."

"It's all to do with grading as we are on a lower level than other emergency services and civil servants and this shouldn't be the case."

"We've had a lot of support from the community. When people ring up about tides and the weather, they wish us luck with the action."

"But we don't know what will happen as we haven't heard anything from the Maritime and Coastguard Agency."

Mr Prosser, who served as an officer in the Merchant Navy for more than 20 years, visited the picket-line on Saturday.

He said: "The poor industrial relations in the MCA is an indictment of management's failure to recognise the abysmally low salaries our coastguards receive and demonstrates their lack of resolve in settling the dispute amicably."

"This is not just another pay dispute. It's a serious effort to settle a long-standing grievance about grading which allows the MCA to pay some officers as little as £12,000 a year."

"I know how important the Coastguard service is to mariners. I will do whatever I can to help."

Peter Cardy, chief executive of the MCA, said he had urged coastguard staff not to strike but that cover had been put in place over the 24-hour period.

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QUESTION & ANSWER

LINDA KEEN



Q Who or what brought you to Dover?

A I used to teach at Dover borstal and I loved the area. When I retired I thought I'd like to move back, so I moved to Denton. Denton is a little village between Dover and Canterbury – most people know it from the pub The Jackdaw Inn. There's only about 200-300 people here – it really is lovely.

Q What is it like being a Dover district councillor?

A It's absolutely wonderful to be involved in helping people in the community. I was a councillor in Canterbury in the 1980s and I decided I wanted to get back into the Labour Party again. In Dover at the moment there is such a strong movement in the Labour group. I was elected to represent Aylesham and it's great to be involved again in giving people what they need.

Q What is your main aim as a councillor and what do you want for the people you represent?

A I want good-quality jobs to be brought into the area. It's not just about work, but about quality. We don't just want unskilled employment, but the opportunity for people in Dover and Aylesham to get training and access to the facilities they need.

This is something that I believe is very important for people in the area.

I also want there to be a lot more leisure facilities for people here. With the 12,000 houses

planned, I think there needs to be a lot more leisure facilities for residents. This will encourage people to take part in sport and lead a healthy lifestyle.

In the development plan there are proposals for a leisure centre in Aylesham, which is great. I'm looking forward to those plans going ahead and for people in my ward to have the facilities they deserve.

I would also like to see Dover Leisure Centre refurbished as it's become really run-down over the years. These are things that Dover District Council needs to support.

Q What is your favourite thing about the area?

A I would have to say the countryside and history. There is so much history here. I would love to see the organ in Maison Dieu House playing music again. Western Heights, near where I previously worked, is also lovely. There are a few historical places in Dover that are rarely open to the public, so it would be lovely to see this happen.

Q Are there any negative aspects to living in Denton?

A The one really annoying thing is the fact that BT will not connect us to broadband. There are a group of us who would really like it, but BT just say they can't. We have to use dial-up, which is really slow, so we've switched to using the mobile phone connection, which is slow but not quite as bad as dial-up. It's ridiculous.

lous, really – we're ten miles from Dover town and ten miles from Canterbury and yet we cannot get the connection. You can get it in Vietnam, but not in Denton.

It's very annoying and bad service from BT. MP Gwyn Prosser has written to them, but they replied saying they are not able to do it. I suppose it's all really down to money, but as far as I'm concerned it really isn't good enough and something that I think should be looked at by BT.

Q What was it like working at Dover borstal?

A I really enjoyed it. It was very small and was kind of like a streamlined grammar school for those boys bright enough. There were only about seven or eight in my class, so it was a good pupil-teacher ratio. I was teaching O-levels and I had a 100 per cent pass rate.

It was a lovely job and extremely rewarding. Many of the boys were in there for drug offences – not necessarily selling them, but taking them. They took a six-month course and, as I said, I had 100 per cent pass rate. I thought it was a good thing for them to do.

Q When did you leave the borstal?

A I left working at the borstal in the 1970s. However, I saw some of the lads in later years. I really enjoyed the job and think that for me and the boys who I taught, it was very rewarding.

Linda Keen is a Labour Dover district councillor. She talked to **Marijke Cox** about her love of the area, her pride at being able to help people and her frustration at BT not being able to put broadband in her village.

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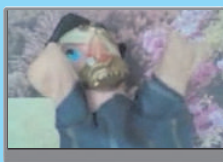
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Drug arrests rise after dealers are targeted

BY NICK AMES

CRIME across the county has dropped by 10.3 per cent in the last year, according to the latest statistics.

A total of 15,133 fewer offences were committed between April, last year, and this March, compared with the previous year.

But the same figures revealed an rise of 18 per cent in offences relating to drugs.

Reductions were seen in the areas of violent crime, criminal damage, burglary and vehicle crime.

Police say the rise in drugs offences is a result of the work undertaken to destroy networks.

The force said the total of 3,524 recorded drugs offences – up 548 on 2007 – was because of officers' success in destroying supply networks.

Assistant Chief Constable Gary Beauridge called the latest figures "good news".

He said: "It is encouraging that the number of crimes being committed continues to fall even now and we will work hard to continue to improve the reductions we've seen in the last year."

Police said across the county the chances of being a victim of crime are decreasing, with 80 offences to every 1,000 persons.

This figure is higher than in the neighbouring county of Surrey, but police have stressed a "like for like" comparison is not appropriate as Kent has more areas of deprivation.

Mr Beauridge said: "The commitment of Kent Police, our officers and staff, and the help we receive from the public have all contributed towards this excellent achievement in tackling and reducing crime.

"Our neighbourhood policing teams have formed close relationships with the communities they are protecting and serving, enabling officers to deal with local crime issues more easily."

He added that the increase in reported drug offences was a reflection of the good work of officers in this area.



HARD KNOCKS: A police officer forces open a door during a raid targeting the class A drugs network in Maidstone

"Context must be applied here, as this shows we are targeting drug dealers," he said.

"No one wants to see dealers in the midst of a community, selling drugs to children. If we are

contacted by concerned people we will act to combat this menace. My message to the drug dealers is: watch out. We will come after you and you will end up in prison."

KCC defends Zimbabwe shares link

THE Green Party has accused Kent County Council of supporting Robert Mugabe's "despotic" regime in Zimbabwe.

The party claims KCC has more than a £100 million in shares in companies which have some involvement with the troubled African state. They say the authority has ignored calls for an ethical investment policy.

The Greens say KCC has £109.5 million invested in companies they claim have links with Zimbabwe.

These are mining groups Anglo American and Rio Tinto, oil giants BP and Shell and banks Standard Chartered and Barclays.

Spokesman Stuart Jeffrey said: "The Mugabe regime has been condemned by all the major parties in the UK, yet county councillors refuse to consider the effects of their inaction.

"Councilors should be called to account for their part in supporting unethical investments in the face of almost universal condemnation.

"David Cameron has called for his party to examine its morals when it comes to investing, yet both Tory and Lib Dem councillors are prepared to maintain investments."

A KCC spokesman said: "The council is responsible for the management of the £2.6billion Kent pension fund. The fund covers about 200 public sector employers in the county and has about 40,000 scheme members and another 40,000 pensioners.

"The fund committee has to get the best returns it can, otherwise the burden of the costs of pensions could fall on taxpayers. We leave decisions about which companies to invest in to investment managers as we need to maximise our returns and hold the managers accountable for their performance."

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Hook up with a book for the Kent Year of Reading

■ BY FAITH RIDING

'LIFE is so much better when you read' – an enduring message and one that is at the heart of the 2008 Kent Year of Reading – the county's contribution to the national campaign.

Designed to boost literacy levels and encourage everyone to make reading part of their daily lives, the year-long programme was launched at County Hall in Maidstone in April.

School children joined Kent County Council cabinet members on a sofa, a bed and deckchairs for a morning of storytelling, to help illustrate great places to read.

Getting as many people as possible involved in the campaign has been made easier thanks to a broad programme of events in the county libraries.

There was a 'Living Library' in Sevenoaks – one of only four nationwide – which allowed customers to borrow people from different professions and walks of life for a conversation, and a 'Library in the Park' in Dartford which opened on July 1 so that books could be browsed and borrowed in the great outdoors.

Inspiration

Other activities have included incentive schemes to encourage reading, author talks and a song writing competition in Dover – reinforcing the message that the skill of reading is vital in all aspects of life including music.

More activities are planned – the most immediate is this year's Reading Challenge which has an Olympic theme and encourages young people to spend some of the long summer break with their noses in books.

The campaign has also been the inspiration behind the Kent Story – county council leader Paul Carter penned an opening chapter for 12 books, one for each district, which are travelling from school to school with pupils writing their



BOOKS FOR ALL: These children joined in the fun for an initiative designed to encourage us all to enjoy the written word

own contribution to continue the tales.

The project is being guided by the imaginations of the county's young writers and artists and the finished books will be put on display at County Hall and then in libraries across the county.

Work is also going on with prison inmates, young offenders and adult learners – with a focus on how improved literacy levels can open doors and radically change prospects at work and at home.

"At the heart of all this activity is the determination to change people's attitudes to reading, particularly among those who don't consider it important or relevant to their lives," says strategic manager Gill Bromley, who is leading the project.

"The Kent Year of Reading is not just about events – although these are a wonderful way to encourage the community to get involved.

"Our main aim is to target those people for whom reading presents a challenge or isn't that important.

Vital

"The best way to change this mindset is to encourage and promote the idea that literacy can help in so many aspects of life – it's not just about settling down with a novel – but vital for surfing the net, applying for a passport or even reading the instructions on the microwave."

What about 2009 and beyond – will all this activity just stop? "Absolutely not," says Ms Bromley. "The most important thing for us will be to establish the Kent Year of Reading's legacy and ensure that this commitment to improving literacy levels and generating reading passion continues. Every year should be a Year of Reading."

Officers to lead way with e-life initiative

A LEADERSHIP Academy has been launched by Kent police to develop the abilities of all officers – from police community support officers to area commanders.

It will record each participant's developing abilities on the force's internal internet – giving officers an "e-life" of how they are getting on in the training programmes.

The academy was set up at the request of Chief Constable Michael Fuller, at the force headquarters in Maidstone, to spot and develop leadership talent and, ultimately, achieve higher standards of performance.

The academy training is being tailored specifically to Kent's needs.

This includes live simulation training to test leadership and decision-making skills in a range of scenarios and critical incident situations.

Participants update their "e-life" regularly to show how their approach to their day-to-day work has benefited.

Mr Fuller said: "Leadership is important at every level in the force.

"We look to select leaders who inspire, motivate, set standards, support their staff and recognise good work.

"This is why I was keen to invest in ensuring we have skilled and talented leaders for the future.

"I believe, through an innovative approach to training that includes live simulation of a range of scenarios our leaders could encounter, we will continue to improve our performance.

"The feedback from those who have already taken part in the programme has been resoundingly positive."

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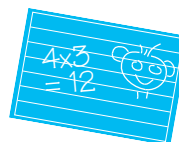
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Grammar boys call the tune

THE choir from Dover Grammar School for Boys has been invited to perform at Guildford Cathedral after the success of their evensong performance in St Albans.

The thirty-strong choir impressed visitors and clergy at the cathedral and to commemorate the occasion a CD of their performance is being produced.

Pupils from the school's music department have also been working with professional composer Michael Hills to write a trumpet fanfare for the Deal Festival of Music and the Arts.

Michael jets off on fellowship mission

BY MARIJKE COX

A FORMER Dover Grammar School for Boys pupil has been selected to take part in the Prime Minister's Global Fellowship.

The scheme sees 100 school leavers a year heading off to a developing country to complete a research project about globalisation.

Michael Hornsey, 18, was selected to travel to India for six weeks to learn about Britain's role in the global economy.

Before his departure on Saturday, Michael said: "The first two weeks in India will be spent learning about other cultures and awareness. Then we spend two weeks working in a school where we carry out our research projects."

"Mine is about the comparison in education between here and India. I'm working on this with a person I met during the selection process. We were working on the same kind of project and were paired together. The last two weeks are

spent in a big business, such as Tesco or Shell. We'll be shown how these companies have offices around the world and the way in which they work. All the places we'll visit will be great, but a lot of us are particularly interested in visiting the businesses."

Michael recently completed A-levels in History, French, Latin and English and is one of 40 school leavers assigned to spend six weeks in India.

The other 60 teenagers involved in the scheme have gone to Brazil or China. Michael is one of only two Kent youngsters to take part in the Government initiative.

He said: "The programme is to help young people understand how globalisation affects all countries, including Britain. We will share the findings of our projects when we get back. I'm really looking forward to the trip as it's something I'm very interested in."

"I'd like to have a job where I can travel and understand what goes on in other parts of the world."

Before the group jetted off to India, Prime Minister Gordon Brown left a recorded message stating the importance of the trip and how it is crucial that Britain keeps up within the global economy.



INDIA: Michael Hornsey

BREAK TIME

Career boost from college diploma

A NEW diploma system has been set up at South Kent College to prepare students for working life.

From September, courses will be available at the college's Dover campus designed to meet the demands of employers and needs of young adults.

The Maison Dieu Road campus was chosen by the Government to be one of the first in the country to offer the Diploma in Society, Health and Development.

Nikki Paine, learning manager at the college's care department, said: "Diplomas were brought in because employers felt existing qualifications didn't prepare young people for the realities of the workplace."

The course will be a mix of academic and vocational qualifications alongside GCSEs and A-levels. Deputy principal Jackie Watt said: "South Kent College is paving the

way for this exciting new development.

"The diplomas will give students a head start in their future careers."

"The courses will combine theory with practical activities, giving students the knowledge and skills needed to either go on to university or start work."

Studio reward

A KENT youngster has won a three-hour recording session at a studio in Dover.

John Mann, a former pupil of St Edmund's School, Canterbury, scooped first prize at a young musicians competition, impressing judges with his violin and piano recitals.

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Cheer up, it might never happen. Summer, that is

SEASONAL Affective Disorder, you may remember, was the affliction of choice a few years back.

It was the reason, we were told, so many of us feel glum during the winter months. A lack of bright light apparently turns some of us a little blue.

It's a catchy little title for what many would consider simply our natural reaction to cold dark nights and, well, cold dark days.

Few of us manage to raise much of a smile, after all, when we wake up to darkness, endure a day of darkness in the office, then make the jaunt home by the power of moonlight. Assuming, of course, it's not cloudy. Which it normally is.

We don't even get a bit of snow any more to lighten the mood and give us all a couple of extra days at home snuggling under the duvet, popping out to build the obligatory snowman and chuck a few icy snowballs in some poor unfortunate's direction.

But by April, in theory, the gloom lifts and so

do your spirits. So imagine how frustrating 2008 must be for those with a penchant for a dose of SAD every year. No sooner does the sun poke its warm little head out from behind a cloud than everything else goes to pot.

You may have been saving during those rainy days for a bit of a summer splurge, but instead that cash is now going on a splash of petrol.

We hardly need reminding that petrol prices have rocketed faster than Lewis Hamilton out of the pits, or that fuel bills are hotting up to an overdraft-nudging level.

And while the housing market belly flops like a sumo wrestler plummeting from a ten-storey building, there isn't much to put that smile on the face of the SAD sufferer.

Which is a shame, because summers are supposed to be one long, hot affair, where we all don flip-flops for three months and laugh at work colleagues who forgot the sun cream and impersonate tomatoes for the duration.

It was always going to be a bit glum, too, given the weather forecast. Warm and wet is not a heart-warmer. And so it has proved. If the summer keeps plodding along as it has so

far, then no doubt floods will be sweeping in come September.

So we all need a bit of cheering up. But how? Well, there's some good news for those who can still afford to run a car and commute to work on our roads. Because as of this week, the school holidays kick in which means everyone will spend the next few weeks getting to work 15 minutes earlier on account of the lack of traffic.

And if you get to work early you can cram in some quality creeping to the boss, which will enhance your job prospects and ensure that when you get turned down for a pay rise due to the economy, they'll at least break the news to you nicely, rather than a cursory email telling you "don't even think about it".

So if you do suffer from SAD, at least you'll only be swapping the gloom of summer for the gloom of winter, so you might not notice the difference. Something to smile about, surely?

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The X-Ray department will be open for three extra hours in the weekday evenings and all day Saturday to test the demand and impact of providing extended X-Ray department opening hours.

The extended X-Ray service will be available six days a week for 12 weeks from

Monday 28th July to Saturday 18th October 2008

The opening hours during the trial period will be:
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It is hoped that this temporary extension will give patients the opportunity to have an X-Ray at a more convenient time. After the 12 week trial period the number of people using the extended services will be assessed to see if the extended hours should be made permanent.

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TALK TIME

REG HANSELL



The hospital campaigner and Eythorne parish councillor talks to Yourdover about how he felt the need to contribute to the area.

Who or what brought you to Dover?

Education. In London the schools weren't as good. Now one of my children has a good degree and the other an extremely good job. We moved here in 1981. I remember driving the van into Shepardswell 27 years ago. I've got four grandchildren now.

What is your favourite thing about Dover?

Dover is in need of so much help. I was travelling the world because of my job in oil and I didn't feel I was doing much for the community. My wife was doing quite a lot, so when I retired I got into local politics. This was in Tony Blair's heyday. I got on to the district council on a landslide and then the county council.

If you could change anything about the area, what would it be?

The health service and getting a main hospital here. There is an aged population and as people get older they worry about health provision. The regeneration is a good thing and I hope a cable car will be brought in to go up to the castle. I asked about having one when I was on the council and the seed seems to be growing. We need more shops and a park-and-ride. The transport system needs to be improved as there are a lot of elderly people in the villages.

Can you tell us about the petition calling for a main hospital in Dover?

We gathered some 28,000 signatures, which we took to Downing Street – the number hugely exceeded our target of 25,000. The petition has shown the dedication of the people involved and the support of the community.

YOUR LETTERS

Frightening lack of common sense

Whatever happened to compassion, initiative and, most of all, common sense?

A 12-year-old grammar school girl was arrested in Boots in Folkestone by a security "officer" – I would prefer to call him or her something unprintable – simply for painting a fingernail.

Yes, it was a silly thing to do as it wasn't a tester, but this youngster was put through a totally unnecessary, traumatic and horrendous experience.

As a retired police officer, I condemn in the strongest terms the actions of that over-zealous guard, Boots management and Kent Police.

Three officers attended this pathetic incident. Were they told an armed robbery was in progress? You would think so. To call this an over-reaction to the most minor incident is the understatement of the year.

All parties involved have much more important tasks to deal with and please, Chief Constable Michael Fuller, don't say: "We have a duty to..."

In my view, as one with decades of experience, when the police were respected (with good cause) and common sense prevailed, this girl is entitled to apologies from all involved, reimbursement of the money her parents were advised to pay – or else – and some gesture of goodwill, including from the police, who ought to have refused to attend in the first place.

All parties know what they should do to hopefully prevent similar future stupidity – and that excludes this young lady.

Let us hope they learn from it.

David Kang
Deal

Surgery petition to get buses restored

Following the move of Balmoral surgery to Canada Road in Deal, I have received complaints that buses no longer service the surgery as they did when it was at the bottom of South Street.

I have spoken to Stagecoach, who were extremely unhelpful about this matter.

After consultations with the doctors' surgery, they have agreed to collect signatures on a petition asking Stagecoach to re-route buses to the surgery car park. When you next go to the surgery, please sign this petition.

Bill Gardner
Mayor of Deal

No need to worry about Saltwood

It is a shame that there is a problem with Saltwood Castle, the home of the late MP Alan Clark, but surely this is not a problem for English Heritage.

This body is responsible for maintaining buildings which are open to the public.

This is not the case with the castle, which is in private ownership.

So, unless it is prepared to help with maintenance costs, I really cannot see that it is any of English Heritage's business.

Richard Harrison
Hythe

Relative buried so far from home

James Richard Lavender Kitcher was born at Boughton Aluph in September 1903 and died in Malta in 1974. He is buried in Ta'Braxia cemetery, Pieta.

For some reason the grave has no headstone and I am curious to

know why he was buried in Malta and not brought home. He was the son of Edith Annie (Hill) and James Kitcher, a gamekeeper living at Boughton Aluph when he married Edith Annie at Chilworth, Hampshire, in 1902.

James Richard Lavender Kitcher married Barbara Myra Buch, but I cannot find any reference to it.

If you are a descendant of Edith Annie and James Kitcher, or a relative – however distant – of James Richard Lavender Kitcher or Barbara Myra Buch, I would appreciate it if you would contact me by email at jaykitcher@hotmail.com.

Jay Kitcher
by email

Steely look to Kent cricket nowadays

As a cricket fan, I was following Kent's progress in the latter part of their second innings against Yorkshire when chasing a small total – they seemed likely to bottle it and lose.

That would have been so typical of the team in the past that I did not really expect anything else.

Yet they steeled themselves and managed to get the runs and win with a little bit to spare.

This got me thinking – is there a new backbone to the team? If so, with all the important matches to come, it really could not have come at a better time in the hunt for trophies.

Steven Hillier
by email

Admirably cheeky

Good luck to the naturist couple who won the cash on the lottery last week. They are obviously on a lucky streak.

Miles Brown
Folkestone

Rock this town

Making rock in Folkestone to commemorate the town is so important.

Sticks of rock have been associated with seaside towns ever since holidays were invented. A Folkestone design, perhaps with the white horse, would be a good addition to the town's image.

Penny Draper
Folkestone

Many for the Few

I must commend the turn-out for the Battle of Britain Memorial Day at Capel-le-Ferne. Despite the bad weather, everyone was in very good spirits and the music was excellent. It was truly a day and a turn-out to be proud of.

Mike Standell
by email

Just the ticket

As someone who attended the County Show, can I point out how little public transport was laid on? The congestion could have been avoided if there had been shuttle buses running from the towns.

Julie Hope
Hythe

Rolling into port

I never thought the sight of Dover would bring a lump to my throat, but I was truly glad to see the harbour, the castle and the white cliffs after a particularly rough Channel crossing.

Kent had never looked so inviting as it did from the deck of a ferry which seemed likely to roll over at any moment.

Sometimes I think that many of us forget quite how lucky we are to live on the Channel coast. It's not a mistake I'll repeat.

Michael Jacob
by email

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Family tough it to the top



HOT ACT: The Cherryholmes and Elizabeth Cook (inset) perform bluegrass and country at the Zebra Bar

FROM dodging bullets to scoring hits, the Cherryholmes family have truly triumphed over adversity.

This unlikely-looking group are one of the hottest acts on the American bluegrass scene, blowing audiences away with their talent.

Their first album to be released on a record label reached number three in the Billboard bluegrass chart and earned them a Grammy nomination, but just nine years ago half their members had never even picked up an instrument.

It was a terrible tragedy which prompted parents Jere and Sandy Lee to bring music into the family's lives.

In 1999 their oldest daughter Shelly died from chronic heart problems, aged just 20.

It was a dreadful time, not helped by the fact that the family were living in a tough Los Angeles neighbourhood.

The children frequently had to do their homework while crouched between their beds because of the threat of drive-by shootings, so a trip to a bluegrass festival provided the chance briefly to escape their

problems and their grief. It was their first exposure to a genre which seemed completely alien, given their background, but the experience inspired Jere and Sandy to incorporate music in their children's home schooling.

It became a core part of their studies, which then developed into hours of playing together every night.

The children were aged between six and 15 at the time, but less than six months later the family were performing professionally.

Eldest daughter Cia Leigh began learning the guitar at the age of 15 but switched to the banjo, which she plays with outstanding power, and she is also a gifted singer.

Her brother BJ picked up a fiddle for the first time at 11 and is compared to some of the finest fiddlers in the business.

Skip is an excellent guitar picker with an aggressive rhythm style and left-handed Molly Kate plays fiddle, sings and writes songs to an astonishing level. Jere plays upright bass and sings, while Sandy Lee's mandolin, banjo and yodelling are real crowd pleasers.

The family spend about 300 days a

year on the road, bunking in the bus and sharing passenger duty as Jere drives through the night.

They self-released three albums before being signed to Skaggs Family Records and have toured internationally, as well as being regulars at the historic Grand Ole Opry in Nashville.

They will be stopping off in Maidstone on their way to headline the Cambridge Folk Festival.

Cherryholmes will be joined on the bill by Elizabeth Cook, who is described as "a bona fide country singer". A true traditional singer in the style of Loretta Lynn or Connie Smith, she appeared at the Grand Ole Opry more than 100 times before releasing her acclaimed debut album, *Hey Y'all*.

She is a talented singer, having co-written nine of the 11 tracks on her latest album *Balls* – including the brash anthem *Sometimes It Takes Balls To Be A Woman*.

The gig starts at 8pm and tickets cost £14 in advance or £16 on the door. To book, phone 01622 744481.

THE CHERRYHOLMES

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FACE YOUR FEARS

Sunday, July 27
Port Lympne Wild Animal Park

FACE your fears and meet some of the most chilling creepy crawlies at Port Lympne this weekend.

The mansion will welcome an array of special guests including snakes, spiders, lizards and even scorpions – all waiting to meet the park's visitors. Children and adults alike are invited to handle these fascinating creatures and learn more about them, in the hope of banishing phobias and quashing fears.

Test your bravery by allowing a python or boa constrictor wrap itself around your neck, or demonstrate your steely nature by letting a tarantula walk across your hand. The event is certainly not for the faint-hearted, but there will be experts on hand to answer questions and help visitors to overcome their worries.

At previous Face Your Fears sessions, visitors have had the opportunity to meet 15ft python Monty, a 2ft Ackie Monitor and some rare scorpions.

The exciting event will be held in the mansion's Long Room and is free to anyone who has bought a ticket for the park that day. Another session will be held on Sunday August 17.

CREATE 2008

Sunday, July 27
Victoria Park, Ashford

ASHFORD will be rocking this weekend when the best local bands take to the stage for Create 2008.

Topping the bill are 21st Century Stones, a top Rolling Stones tribute band, headlining a line-up that is bursting with high quality talent.

Now in its thirteenth year, the event will welcome One Day Elliott (pictured), Los Salvadores, Springtide Cavalry, ShyChlo and the Boys, More than Normal, D-FiNiTiVe, Dolan's Cadillac, St Peter's Band, Under TheThumb and John Wood of Balbulus playing solo, all on the main stage.

On the Right Track Music Stage emerging acts include Charlotte Rose, Golden Retrievers, Flat Lung, Orca, Elephants and more. DJs Terrorist, I Am Spartacus, Woggle and Theo will be on the decks in the DJ tent along with Acetate Records and MC Tazer and DJ Top Dollar. With DJ and rock workshops happening throughout the day and lots of other attractions, it should be a fantastic day out for music fans.

The event will run from noon to 8pm and best of all, admission is free. Find out more online at www.myspace.com/createfestival.



SOUND ISLAND FESTIVAL

Friday to Sunday, July 25-27
Quex Park, Birchington

TOP music stars from a wide variety of genres will be headlining the Sound Island Festival at Quex Park.

Scouting For Girls will open the three-day festival on Friday, performing tracks which may include their top 10 hits She's So Lovely, Elvis Ain't Dead and Heartbeat. They will be supported by fellow Top 10 stars The Hoosiers and hot up-and-coming band Elliot Minor.

On Saturday reggae legends UB40 will perform, supported by Aswad. UB40 scored a number of chart-topping hits including Red Wine, Can't Help Falling In Love With You and I Got You Babe.

The festival concludes on Sunday with a performance by soprano star Katherine Jenkins, the Welsh singer who is enjoying unprecedented success in the classical world. Her record-setting achievements include becoming the first female artist to win two consecutive Classical Brit Awards. She will be supported by classy all-male quartet Blake.

Tickets are priced from £26 to £32.50. To book, you can go online at www.margatewintergardens.com, or phone 01843 292795/296111.



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Shorts wanted from young film-makers

ASPIRING young film-makers are invited to enter their work in the first Kino Kids Short Film Festival.

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Take your teddy to the picnic for lots of fun

TEDDY bears and their owners are invited to join a special picnic at the Ramada Hotel Dover.

Go along to the Teddy Bears' Picnic on Sunday, which will include children's entertainer Marcel, games, face painting, a bouncy castle, a puppet show and a teddy bear competition.

The event will run from 3pm to 6pm and tickets cost £9 for adults and £4.50 for children aged three to 12, including refreshments. Children under three go free and owners with their teddy bear get a £1 discount. To book call 01304 821230 or email events@ramadadover.co.uk.

Artisans wanted to be involved in new group

CRAFTSPEOPLE and designer-makers are invited to join the new Kent Artisans group, being set up by White Nave.

The group will offer benefits including a bi-monthly networking and planning meeting, an online gallery space, a free pitch at the White Nave annual craft show, the chance to run demonstrations in Dover and more.

Membership costs £10 per month. For more details email sue@whitenave.com.

Come to the cabaret for a different night out

ANYONE who is looking for a change from rock music and DJs is invited to come to the cabaret.

Sarah Banks, a 60s and 70s cabaret artiste, will be bringing old-style entertainment to a pub in Sandwich this week. See her performing at the New Inn in Harnet Street tomorrow night (Thurs).

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Since commencing their professional training at the Academy in September 2007 many of the students on the Catering course have achieved outstanding accolades in national, professional competitions, supported all the way by their team of dedicated tutors.

"I'm learning how to create top class food and definitely want to become a professional chef when I qualify. When I leave here I will go straight into work in the industry, hopefully in a top London restaurant. My plan is to get a few years experience under my belt and then bring those skills back home to Kent and open my own top notch restaurant." (NVQ student)

The Folkestone Academy still has places on its NVQ Level 1 and 2 Hospitality and Catering courses, amongst others for September 2008 entry. Further details of all sixth form courses are available on the website: www.folkestoneacademy.com.

yourmusic

Magnificent seven are ready to rock all day

BY JAMES ALEXANDRE

FROM ska to screamo, the eclectic line-up of this year's Don8tion all-dayer brings together seven of the best bands Kent has to offer.

The popular charity event, now in its fourth year, is held each summer at the Wyvern Hall in Sittingbourne, a 500-capacity venue with the space for bands and fans to really let rip.

This year's concert – organised to raise money for Demelza children's hospice – is headlined by Folkestone's superlative ska/punk outfit, Battleska Galactica.

The eight-piece are fresh from a successful slot at the ill-fated Zoo8 festival, packing the marquee when they performed on the Friday.

They already have several critically acclaimed releases, including 2005's *Songs from the Crypt*, and a new album, *If Found Please Return To...* will be on sale later this year.

Preceding Battleska are Medway rockers Saturday Superhouse, who wowed the audience at last year's Don8tion with their highly polished set. Energetic punk band Los Salvadores will also be bringing their impressive sound to the stage, as well as Sheppey screamo band The Rodeo Plan, and Maidstone indie kids Directions.

Opening the night are No Room For Growth, a young and talented Sittingbourne ska band. They will be followed by Sheppey hard rock



PHOTO: GARETH ARNOLD



INTO BATTLE: Guitarist Stewart Cork performing with Battleska Galactica. Also on the Don8tion bill are Los Salvadores (left) and five other leading bands from the county.

outfit Wires Faulty. Don8tion is organised by Los Salvadores guitarist Marf Whiskin, and promoter Jade Wilson. Both say this year will be the best yet. Marf said: "The

line-up is the best we've ever had. Every band on there was picked because they put on a great show and have worked hard to build a following.

"And everyone – including Vic Wintergreen from DefZone who is doing the sound – has agreed to do it for free, so we can give more money than ever to Demelza."

don8tion

Jade said: "This is going to be an amazing gig. It's such a strong line-up."

Last year's concert raised nearly £500 for Demelza. Don8tion will be at the Wyvern Hall, Central Avenue, Sittingbourne, on Friday, August 8. Doors open at 7pm. Tickets are £4 and are available from any of the bands or on the door. You can donate online at www.justgiving.co.uk/don8tion.

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Snap up a sale bargain as Argos slashes prices

THOUSANDS of prices have been slashed in the Argos end of summer sale. Shoppers looking for deals on electrical items, garden furniture and home appliances are invited into Dover's Biggin Street store to pick up a bargain. A Madrid table and four chairs is half the price at £199.95, a stainless steel bin £34.99, Remington straighteners £21.99 and a Vax rapid carpet cleaner also half price priced at £59.99.

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New styles have taken on that autumnal look

HOT new autumn styles have just arrived at Store 21. Shoppers can find a twill swing jacket for just £12, roll-neck tops for £10 and boot flare jeans with studs for £12. Tie-neck georgette blouses are also available for £10 along with long wrap cardigans for the same price. Accessories, menswear, children's clothes and homeware can also be found at the store in Biggin Street, Dover. For more information or to see the styles on offer visit www.store21.co.uk.

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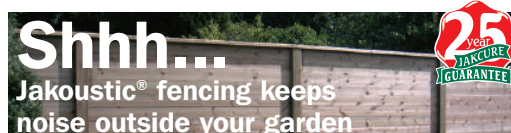
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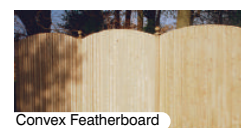
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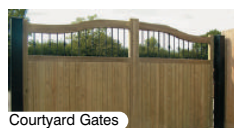
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YOUR TV REVIEW

BONEKICKERS
BBC One, 9pm, Tuesday
CHINESE FOOD MADE EASY
BBC Two, 8.30pm, Monday

BY TOM BETTS

I'M not sure the world is ready for high definition television, especially with the drivel that is on 85 per cent of the time.

Although that's not an official figure, may I add.

When the technology has moved on so much that what's on your screen is almost a better than reality (I swear real life doesn't look this sharp!) I somehow expected the quality of what appears on the magic box to move ever upward too.

But still, while the crystal-clear images flood into our rooms we still have to endure the likes of Snog, Marry, Avoid? and Titty Titty Bang Bang.

Take Bonekickers, the BBC's latest effort at intrigue and mystery.

It looked like a belter on the trailers, but is so bad it actually makes me want to go out and do some of those hobby things that people keep yammering on about.

Here is a show seemingly cobbled together behind the bike sheds by a bunch of sixth formers during school break.

The producers were clearly aiming at a cross between Spooks and CSI with a wee hint of Indiana Jones thrown in for good measure, yet it comes across more like Time Team meets The Bill.

It's in the middle of a six episode run and I'll bet my remote control there won't be a second.

Around 6.8 million of you joined me for the first episode, so at least I can find some solace in the fact that I'm not alone in my suffering, but a huge



TASTY: Ching-He Huang is cooking up quite a stir on BBC Two with Chinese Food Made Easy

share of that number had jumped ship by episode two.

If this is the best we have to look forward to this summer then could be time to say "balls to the credit crunch, I'm off on holiday!"

There is a new woman in my life, who I would dearly love to accompany me on what I have christened the 2008 Bonekicker Avoidance Tour.

The name of the object of my affection is Ching-He Huang, beautiful, intelligent and able to whip up a mean egg foo yong.

Wok more could a man want?

I had promised myself I'd not waste any more time watching cookery shows (a strange addiction I have), especially as none of it ever translates to my own kitchen, but one look at Ching-He and that promise bit the dust faster than you could say year of the loser.

YOUR WEEK'S HOROSCOPE

BY RUSSELL GRANT



AQUARIUS (Jan 21-Feb 19)
DOING a job all by yourself isn't realistic. Call on the help of your colleagues. Acting like you don't need anyone else will alienate you from the group. It's important to consider the needs of a business or romantic partner. Letting this person wait on you will be a welcome change of pace.
To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Aquarius** 09067-531762

TAURUS (Apr 21-May 21)
DON'T convince you know more about a subject than you really do. It's better to hire a professional than attempt a complicated job yourself. A good friend could take you on a short trip. The two of you are opposites in many ways, which makes for good traveling companions.
To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Taurus** 09067-531753

LEO (Jul 24-Aug 23)
Daydreaming could undermine your job performance. It's important to check your work before submitting it or you could miss some embarrassing mistakes. Your star power will be especially strong, making this a great time to go on job interviews, auditions and first dates.
To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Leo** 09067-531756

SCORPIO (Oct 24-Nov 22)
FOLLOWING the rules is overrated. Allow yourself a measure of freedom when tackling a big project. You could develop some exciting techniques by just playing around. You're about to assume a more public profile at work. People respond to your warmth and generosity.
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PISCES (Feb 20-Mar 20)
FORCING a friend to live up to an old promise will only torment them. Relax your standards and leave your pal free to have a good time. You may have to do more than your fair share of work, but it will be strangely gratifying. It feels good to have an outlet for your restless energy.
To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Pisces** 09067-531763

GEMINI (May 22-Jun 22)
YOU may think you've got more money than you actually have. Review your budget carefully before buying something extravagant. Urgent messages could come pouring in this week. Check your mobile regularly or you could miss an important call. A job will involve unusual duties.
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VIRGO (Aug 24-Sep 23)
YOU may not realise what a friend really needs to thrive. If this person is intent on taking a risk, don't stand in their way. If you're not in a relationship, you could meet someone special at a party or social occasion. Keep your eyes open for an offbeat philanthropist.
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SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23-Dec 21)
PUTTING too much emphasis on material things is getting in the way of a close relationship. You can't put a price on love. Encourage somebody to take a chance. You're too adventurous to cling to security for very long. A strange living arrangement works well for you.
To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Sagittarius** 09067-531760

ARIES (Mar 21-Apr 20)
BE realistic about balancing home and work. You simply don't have enough time to do justice to both. Although lots of exciting opportunities exist on the career front, your nearest and dearest need care and attention. Unless you make time for fun, it will pass you right by.
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CANCER (Jun 23-Jul 23)
PREOCCUPATION with your own needs could make you oblivious to those of other. Take care you don't forget an important date. Money will be more readily available than it has in the past few weeks. Someone could ask you to step in for an instructor who had to leave quite suddenly.
To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Cancer** 09067-531755

LIBRA (Sep 24-Oct 23)
TRYING to give orders to relatives will be as successful as herding a crowd of cats. It simply can't be done. Let everybody do their own thing for a change. It will save you lots of aggravation. Besides, you have better things to do with your time. You can't afford to let them down.
To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Libra** 09067-531758

CAPRICORN (Dec 22-Jan 20)
Don't overanalyse a relationship. There are some gifts in life you just need to accept with open arms and a thankful heart. Your sex appeal is red hot. You could meet someone special. You're especially drawn to quiet, nurturing types, but you may have to do all the running.
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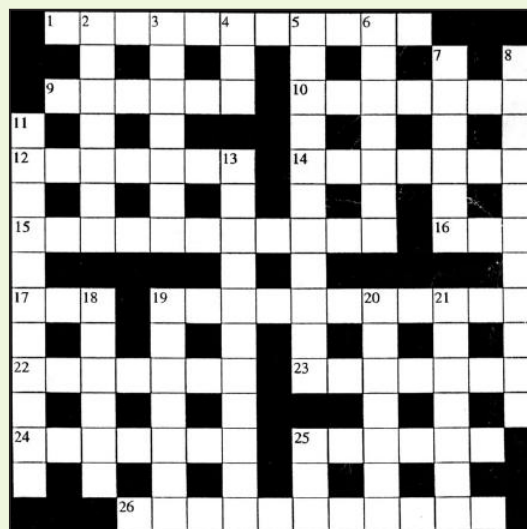
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CRYPTIC CLUES

ACROSS

- 1 What is carried in here may be documented (7-4)
 - 9 A maxim that is unprincipled (6)
 - 10 Spoil important-sounding tent (7)
 - 12 Highfliers chewing raw rice (7)
 - 14 Vainest sort who's most ingenious (7)
 - 15 Haggard mineowner (4,7)
 - 16 For each of the shoppers included (3)
 - 17 Born to one expecting inside (3)
 - 19 Pointer on hand (5-6)
 - 22 Yellow jeans I'm splashing (7)
 - 23 Different layers on Sunday are not shining (7)
 - 24 Young child is untruthful about deliberate understatement (7)
 - 25 Rude fraction? (6)
 - 26 Scholarly Scotsman found in RA (11)
- DOWN**
- 2 Small monkey had hat dodging rain (7)
 - 3 Luminous atmospheric phenomena transforming our area (7)
 - 4 Man hard on a novice (3)
 - 5 Next crime could include me and machine with revolving drum (6,5)
 - 6 Barns ie custom-built for one from Southern Europe (7)
 - 7 Put up about one French female and start to perform in the band (4,2)
 - 8 Character with journalists printed reading matter (11)
 - 11 Two well-directed in rhyme (4,3,4)
 - 13 We will be adorned wearing stylish clothes (4-7)
 - 18 Hesitates at last character being substitute (6)
 - 19 I had ten before end of August in charge, that's stupid (7)
 - 20 Poem 99 is heavenly (7)
 - 21 Most of bomb found on a West Indian island (7)
 - 25 Six thousand having vigour (3)

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QUICK CLUES

ACROSS

- 1 Quarantined (2,9)
- 9 Sea-cow (6)
- 10 Japanese ornament (7)
- 12 Spectrum (7)
- 14 Imprecise (7)
- 15 Furry animal (7,4)
- 16 Longing (3)
- 17 Auto (3)
- 19 Stun (11)
- 22 Specialised in a particular subject (7)
- 23 To which (7)
- 24 Mislead (7)
- 25 Pincers (6)
- 26 Dimension (11)

DOWN

- 2 Cephalopod molluscs (7)
- 3 Entertainment industry (7)
- 4 Limb (3)
- 5 Painful inflammation in arm (6,5)
- 6 Exhaust (7)
- 7 Nauseous (6)
- 8 Objective (11)
- 11 Play only partly funny (11)
- 13 Capriciousness (11)
- 18 Discard (6)
- 19 Stealthy (7)
- 20 Metallic element (Re) (7)
- 21 Bevan, former MP (7)
- 25 Rap (anag.) (3)

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

SUDOKU SOLUTIONS No45

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CRYPTIC SOLUTION No45

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22 Discount for cash 24 Ivan 25 Wild 26
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Padding 20 Schemer 21 Indigo 23 Along.

QUICK SOLUTION No46

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13 Waywardness 18 Repeat 19 Furthest 20
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Showbiz 4 Leg 5 Tennis elbow 6 Outwear
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MEET DAVE (PG)



Dave Ming Chang (Eddie Murphy), newly arrived in New York City, may be the ultimate fish out of water. There's something about him that's not quite right – for starters, he seems remarkably out of place and uncomfortable in his own body. And for good reason: 'Dave' is not a man at all, but a ship made in the image of its miniature-sized captain.

DONKEY PUNCH (18)



When three girls decide to go on holiday to Spain, they expect the usual holiday of sun, sand and lots of nights out on the town. But when three guys tell them they have a boat and the girls are welcome to go out for a day, things take a terrifying turn for the worse when one of the girls dies and it becomes a fight for survival.

No more action man

■ BY ELLIE GENOWER

WHEN Jackie Chan first heard about the fantastical concept of his new movie *The Forbidden Kingdom*, he certainly had his doubts.

"I would never make this kind of film," he says, smiling. "For me, these kinds of films are ridiculous. It doesn't make sense. But the American audience, I think, is interested. So every time I make an American film, I trust the American writer and the American director."

The film sees New York young kung fu fan Jason Tripitakas (Michael Angarano) magically thrust into ancient China where he befriends wise kung fu master Lu Yan (Jackie Chan) and a warrior played by Jet Li. They team up to free the Monkey King, who has been imprisoned by the powerful Jade War Lord.

Jackie, who shot much of the movie on location in China, says: "This is just like a fantasy – a fairytale, but I made this movie because I know American culture and American people like it."

Despite Chan's initial reservations, he couldn't resist the chance to work with another famous Chinese movie fighter – Jet Li – either.

After years of trying to team up on film, Chan had almost given up on the idea of working with him by the time *Forbidden Kingdom* came along.

"I have always hoped to make movies with some people I really admire, like Dustin Hoffman and Robert De Niro, before I retire from this business," he says.

"Jet Li is someone whom I have wanted to work for more than ten years. Every time I see Jet we say, 'Let's do it!' This time it happened



GETTING HARDER: Jackie Chan says he wants to be a serious actor before he retires

because Casey [Silver] the producer was in the middle. Every ten days he would call and tell me Jet Li was happy with the script, before sending it to me. He was the one flying back and forth making the whole thing happen."

But far from being a battle of the egos between two movie martial arts legends, Chan says coordinating fight scenes

with Li felt comfortable.

"After the first cut, the director comes up and says 'Can you guys slow down?'," Chan says with a laugh.

"I want to show off quick and he wants to show off quick, but then we slowed down. It was fun. Fighting with him is very comfortable. I've fought so many different actors who just don't know

how to fight. It makes you hurt and it doesn't look good. And I think because I'm good, it makes him comfortable!"

However, Li is, at 45, almost ten years younger than Chan at 54. As the energetic and animated star grows older, it inevitably becomes harder to perform the big kung-fu stunts, he did so effortlessly on film at a younger age.

Hence one of the reasons Chan is trying to make the transition from kung fu movie star to serious actor.

"I think for the last six or five years, I've changed my style," he says, earnestly. "Right after the *Forbidden Kingdom*, I finished a movie called *The Shinjuku Incident*. It's maybe one per cent action. Heavy drama. The next one will be big action, then maybe a love story."

"I want to change. I want to be a real actor and not just an action star. An action star's film life is very short. Jackie Chan is a myth and I'm in survival right now."

"It's been more than 30 years, but how much longer can I keep fighting? This is why I have to change, change, change. I'm not like I used to be – I'm tired."



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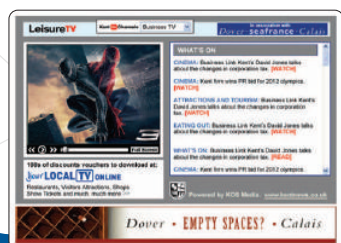
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yourgetaways

Sea how Nausicaa's got even better

BY DAVID NICHOLAS

A MAJOR new development has opened up in the sealife centre Nausicaa, which is one of Boulogne's most popular tourist attractions.

As well as its collection of tropical fish, recreations of exotic nautical environments, sharks, sealions and penguins, the venue also has a new exhibition on the seas called The Sea - Live which has links to oceans across the world in real time as well as details of the environment and the people who live there.

My family and I went into the large auditorium for a glimpse of how tropical seas with their abundance of plant and marine life look and the problems they are facing.

Now open and in place for the next two years the focus is on Madagascar and the Mozambique Channel.

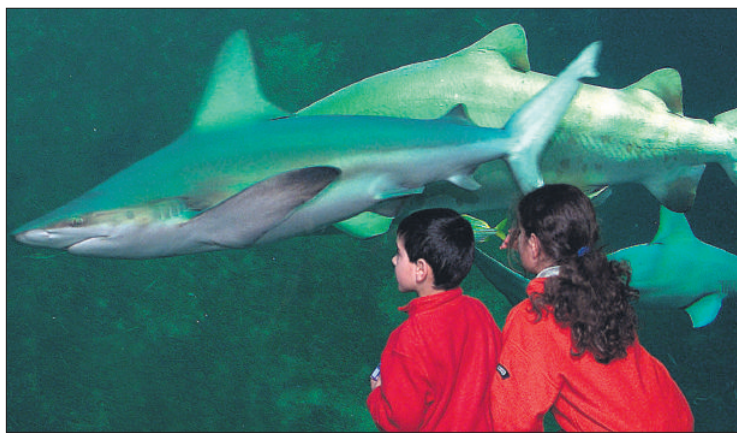
Audios and visuals give an account of the history and formation of the land and seascape.

The channel itself was formed 160 million years ago when a piece of land broke from the eastern side of Africa and formed the world's fourth largest island.

Located in the Indian Ocean, it has species quite distinct from elsewhere in the world.

The display also featured interviews with experts on the evolution of this unusual area, as well as the importance of it to the creatures which live in the sea.

Daily programmes can be modified to reflect conditions which exist in the area, bringing the imagery from this wonderful place completely



OCEAN WORLD: Sharks are among the creatures on view at Nausicaa in Boulogne - an easy, and superb, day trip

up to date. We learnt that the ecosystem in the area is particularly fragile, and the display emphasises the intriguing story of the coelacanth, thought to have been extinct since prehistoric times, but rediscovered in the last century. An interview with a fisheries expert also explained how it is most effective to maintain the supplies and thus benefit the natural environment, as well as the fishermen and the people who live in the area.

Later, we took a simulated trip up a river estuary, and details of the land itself and its

rainforest were revealed.

Telescopes fixed to stakes in the sand enable pictures of fishing on the seabed to be transmitted and even locals' huts are included.

My family and I have always found Nausicaa a fantastic destination in its own right, but the fact that it's in France just adds to the feel that you really are on holiday - even when it's just a day trip.

Add in a classy on-site restaurant with glorious sea views, and you might just be on to one of the experiences of the year.

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Language	French
Population	66.4 million
Currency	Euro (1.2 to £1 approx)

Located directly opposite the Port of Boulogne along Boulevard Sainte Beuve, Nausicaa is open daily from September 1 to June 30 from 9.30am to 6.30pm and from July 1 to August 31 from 9.30am to 7.30pm.

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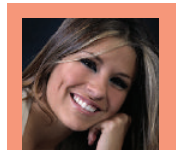
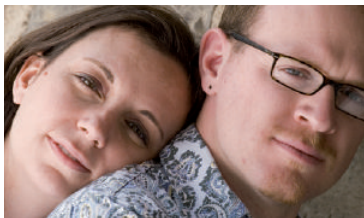
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To be with female, 23, 5'2", brown hair/blue eyes, medium build, seeks similar male for friendship, fun, possibly more. Box 383675

NOT AFRAID OF HARD WORK?
Lively female, 26, 5'2", brown hair, green eyes, size 10, single mum, enjoys most things, seeks genuine, laid-back guy, for fun, friendship and more. Box 428555

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Attractive female, very bubbly, 29, 5'4", short hair, blue eyes, up for anything, seeking male 25-45, caring with good personality, kids welcome, for love. Box 442142

SOMEONE SPECIAL...
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PILLION DOLLAR BABE!
Slim lady, 31, shoulder-length dark hair, hazel eyes, loves having fun and meeting new people. Mark, the pub owner, please call and we can contact details! Box 433131

TRAVEL TO MY WORLD
Travel-loving female, 31, 5'6", ambitious, relaxed, kind, shrewd and game for a laugh, looking for a romantic, fun-loving man for potential love & romance. Box 442352

CUDDLY FEMALE
32, 5'9", brown hair, curly figure, enjoys having fun and a laugh, and WLTW nice, kind gent. Box 394302

CANTERBURY TALE
Single mum of 2, 32, WLTW someone kind, caring and considerate, for nights in/out and cinema. Ryan from Whitstable, please call again, leave contact details! Box 406070

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Brunette female, 36yr old, single mum, enjoys socialising, day, romantic moments and family activities, WLTW a male with similar interests for friendship, maybe more. Box 442393

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Single mum of three, 37, lives in Eastbourne, fun-loving, great to be around, been hurt in the past, but have been broken and needs mending. Box 909053

LOVE TO LOVE YOU
Lovely female, 36, 5'4", medium-large build, blonde hair, blue eyes, own house, loves walking, going out, the usual! Seeking male for long-term/serious relationship. Box 438102

CAROL SINGING
I'm Carol, friendly, sociable female, 35, love socialising, WLTW male, with similar interests, for stimulating times and maybe lasting relationship. Box 303551

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Bubbly, cuddly, blonde single mum, 38, 5'6", likes cars, reading, pubs, cosy nights in, having a laugh, looking for that right male for LTR. Box 905614

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A NICE BOTTLE OF WINE
Lovely, glossy brunette, 39yr old, petite, bubbly and loving, enjoys theatre, music and eating out, WLTW a professional, loving and tactile male for a relationship. Box 442551

OH MANDY
Mandy, 38, lovely brunette, petite & slim, very tactile & bubbly, professional-mum, WLTW honest, romantic N/S man. Box 432639

SIMPLY IRESISTIBLE
Bubbly, genuine, honest, caring Mum of 1, 34, dark hair, blue eyes, loves nights in/out, seeking male, 30-40, with GSOH, for love and all. Box 437041

ANIMAL MAGIC!
Single, kind, caring animal lover, 34, from Kent, likes cooking, cinema, theatre, most music, seeks non-smoking male, 34-38, for LTR. Box 440782

HISTORIC MEETING?
Mum of three, 36, long mousey hair, blue eyes, interested in historical places, music, eating out, seeks kind, caring, genuine male 36-48, non-smoker, for LTR. Box 440693

SEIZE THE DAY
Attractive and friendly female, 36, caring, considerate, outgoing, loves to travel and walks on beaches, seeks similar male for potential long term romance. Box 442392

ANIMAL LOVER?
Nurse, 37yrs, 2 kids, 5'8", blonde hair, blue eyes, likes the gym, cooking, swimming, salsa dancing, looking for a kind, caring, loyal male Box 431557

MAKE ME LAUGH
Lonely, bored, professional Tunbridge Wells Asian lady, 40, WLTW a single, solvent, professional white male 40-50 for company, fun, love and laughter. Box 440304

SPIRITUAL EXPERIENCE
Kind, caring, spiritual lady, 39, 5'4", average build, hazel puppy-dog eyes, brown hair, looking for genuine, honest guy, non-smoker, friendship first. Box 899894

TOO MUCH TO ASK
Genuine female, 41, 5'3", brunette, brown eyes, medium build, enjoys meals out, music etc, seeks male, 38-42, for romance. Box 155275

ATTRACTION & SATISFACTION
Hard-working independent female, 41, dark brown hair, brown eyes, GSOH, enjoys cinema, eating in/out, seeking similar male with no issues for friendship first, then hopefully more. Box 442205

ATTRACTIVE BRUNETTE
Fun-loving, affectionate brunette, 43, size 12, N/S, separated amicably with 2 lovely kids, enjoys keeping fit. Seeks good-looking, single, fit, romantic male. Box 814378

THIS STATE OF INDEPENDENCE
Hard-working female, 41, 5'4", bubbly, independent female, love to laugh, socialising with friends, looking for independent man who values TLC. Box 414156

NIGHT NURSE
Caring, honest female, 42, nurse, likes classic and pop music, outdoor, dancing, walking, socialising, seeks male, with similar interests. Box 220510

LOTS OF LOVE TO GIVE
Bubbly, voluptuous, very warm-hearted, tactile woman, 49, looking for that special someone to share cuddles, romantic evening in/out and possible relationship. Box 440679

TOGETHER, FOREVER?
Caring person with GSOH, 48, would like to share my life with someone nice, who enjoys romantic walks, meals and wants to find love. Box 889783

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LOVE IS AN OPTION...
Loving caring lady, 45, blonde hair, 5'4", average build, loves a laugh, football, going out, country trips, seeking friends and hopeful partner for loving companionship. Box 429892

IT'S WHAT YOU MAKE OF IT
44yr old female, blonde hair, 5'6", slim, easygoing, enjoys many things in life, looking for someone similar to there to enjoy life with! Box 436810

ALL THIS AND MORE
Attractive female, 45, slim-medium build, 5'6", big brown eyes, brown hair, caring, loving, honest, seeking LTR with an honest, caring male to enjoy life with. Box 439367

FANCY A DRINK?
Divorced female, 47, 5'4", curvy, enjoys eating out, WLTW a nice and gentle male, non smoker, 43-53, with a GSOH for a relationship. Box 442303

HAPPY DAYS
happy go lucky lady, 44, 5'2", blue eyes/blonde, medium build enjoys cuddles, socialising, animals, seeks honest, trustful, affectionate man 40-50 GSOH to share happy times. Box 175443

HUNK SOUGHT
Marlene, 48, blonde, medium build, likes 4x4s, the gym, quad-biking, a glass of wine, cinema, rugby/soft-cricketer, WLTW sincere youngish guy for friendship/companionship and who knows. Box 894117

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divorced female, 50, slim/petite, blonde hair, blue eyes, non-smoker, GSOH, likes walks, cinema, eating, cosy nights in, music, seeks handsome, affectionate male, non-smoker, for love. Box 368158

CARING
Loving female, 52, 5'2", blonde hair, blue eyes, no ties, likes theatre, cinema, music, eating in or out, travel, seeks male, for friendship, possible romance. Box 189993

IN MY SIGHTS
Lovely, curvaceous lady, 57yr old, enjoys visual arts and travelling, WLTW a genuine male, 50-60 for friendship and possibly romance. Box 441382

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young lady 56, 5'5", brown hair, green eyes, slim, loves travelling, cooking, wining & dining, gardening, country life, seeks honest, caring, loving, affectionate male. Box 378206

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MEN'S SPOTLIGHT

SINGLE MUMS MORE THAN WELCOME
Good looking single dad, 28, fit, slim, GSOH, reliable and easygoing, looking for my princess for fun, friendship and romance. Box 442503

CAN YOU RESIST?
Attractive guy, 29, 5'8", shaved head, green eyes, enjoys cycling, walking and eating out, WLTW a genuine girl, 21-26 for friendship. Box 442408

CATCH YOU WHEN YOU FALL
Shy male, 32yr old, medium build, sensitive and easygoing, enjoys country walks and eating out, WLTW a similar lady for a relationship, pref N/S. Box 442406

READY FOR LOVE
Stuart, 32, very shy but ready for love, 5'6", slim, brown hair/eyes, cheeky & fun, love a laugh, music, film, seeking like-minded lady for love. Box 441777

TO BE WITH YOU
Down to earth gentle chap, 34, likes clubbing, walking, going out, socialising, seeking similar female for lasting happiness. Box 442249

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BRING BACK LOVE
Hi I'm Nick, 41, 5'11", enjoy cinema, eating out, golf, WLTW similar brown-haired female for good times and lots of fun, perhaps love. Box 440769

JUST WANTING LOVE
I'm 42, medium build, 5'10", not fat! lots of tattoos, blue eyes, shaved head, seeking a female 20-50 to start again and find love with. Box 440021

DOWN TO MARGATE!
Young-looking, slim male, 43yr old, 5'10", enjoys beach walks and cinema, WLTW a mature lady for a committed long term relationship. Box 441705

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PROPERTY NEWS

Mortgage deals better with Abbey

A NEW revised fixed rate mortgage deal has been launched by the Abbey.

Those looking to take out mortgages are able to obtain two and three year fixed rates at up to 0.15 per cent less than previously offered.

Abbey's move is the latest in a series of recent changes by leaders in the market as a response to a fall in inter-bank lending costs.

Another company to cut back on rates recently was Woolwich which decreased fixed rates in some cases by up to 0.3 per cent.

Such developments within the property industry have been viewed as a sign that the cost of mortgages is on a small down turn despite the lack of movement in interest rates.

These have been held by the Bank of England in recent moves to stabilise the property market.

Recently forecasters working for the Royal Bank of Scotland predicted that the base rate will remain at five per cent for the rest of this year, with the possibility of movement in the first quarter of next year.

Agents confident of market turnaround

THE majority of estate agents across the UK are optimistic that house prices will be rising and the market buoyant a year from now.

A survey of the industry conducted by Abbey said that 61 per cent of respondents were confident the downturn would be over in the next 12 months.

And half of those contacted said they expected the time span to be just half that.

Abbey's head of mortgages Phil Cliff said: "Estate agents and homeowners believe that despite current movements in house prices we are unlikely to experience a really prolonged fall."

Predictions such as these help to stabilise a volatile market and increase confidence for both investors and sellers.

They are helped by banks lowering mortgage rates – which has taken place in some sectors of the business in the past few weeks.

In the latest figures available in the market June saw a two per cent fall in house prices – a decrease of the 2.5 per cent recorded for May.



CLEANING UP: The devastation caused by flooding to thousands of properties in recent years could get worse with predictions of more extreme weather conditions

Flood defence agreed

Insurance and long-term strategies will help protect owners

THE insurance industry and the Government have reached an agreement to ensure householders are able to obtain protection against flooding.

Both bodies have vowed to team up in a bid to protect properties at risk in a complementary way.

In recent years the county has seen serious flooding, particularly along the course of the River Medway.

Fears over global warming have also added to improved sea defences along Romney Marsh.

Other low-lying areas, such as Swale and other areas along the Thames Estuary, as well as Thanet, have also been cited as being at risk from waters.

According to insurers they will assess some

■ BY NICK AMES

properties at risk and the Government has promised to do more to protect housing from destructive waters.

Under the new agreement, insurers will guarantee to provide protection to any property deemed to have a risk of less than one in 75 from flood.

In return, the Government has committed itself to a long-term 25-year strategy to improve flood defences across the UK.

Environment Minister Phil Woolas said: "The insurance companies very reasonably said that it is necessary to have a long-term strategy – 25 years is the figure that we are going ahead with. We are looking at coastal flooding as well as river flooding and surface water flooding to ensure that the increased

investment that we have – and we have increased investment in flood defences quite substantially in this country – is sustained in the long term."

Mr Woolas said the Environment Agency should make use of new powers to block proposed developments at risk of flood and explained insurers were ready to offer improved premiums to householders who protect their homes against the risks.

He added: "What has changed is the climate change predictions the scientists are giving us; that the extreme weather conditions are going to increase in the decades to come. That requires a long-term strategy."

"It is something we have been negotiating with the insurance industry in some detail. They, quite understandably, want to have assurances that homes are protected and we, quite understandably, want to do that in any event."

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2 Bedroom End Terrace House. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen/Diner. Conservatory. Family Bathroom. Gardens, central heating & double glazing.

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LYDD ON SEA £250,000

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Substantial family home. Central location. Four bedrooms. Sitting/dining room. Gas central heating. Rear garden. Self-contained flat. Viewing recommended.

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HILLSIDE ROAD OIEO £95,000

Three bedroom house. Lounge/diner. Kitchen. Gas central heating. Rear garden. Crabble location.

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PARK AVENUE £229,950

Three bedroom semi-detached house. Castle Ward area. Sitting room. Kitchen/diner. Gas central heating. Double glazing. Driveway. Garage. Gardens.

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CRABBLE AVENUE £179,950

Three bedroom mid-terrace house. Sitting room. Dining room. Kitchen/breakfast room. Cellar rooms. Enclosed established garden.

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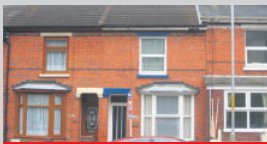
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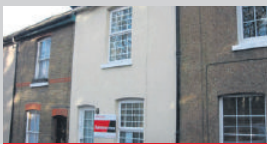
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£145,000

3 Bedroom Semi Detached House. Lounge/Diner, Kitchen and Downstairs WC, Bathroom. Double glazing, central heating, garage and rear gardens.

River



OIRO £159,950

Three bedroom terrace cottage situated opposite Kearsney Abbey with two reception rooms, double glazing, gas central heating and garden.

Dover



£159,950

Tucked away in a cul de sac location in Crabble, this semi detached house with garage and gardens is offered for sale with no chain.

Walmer



£164,950

3 bedroom end of terrace house with double glazing, gas central heating gardens and garage. No chain.

Deal



£199,995

3 Bedroom Terraced House. Lounge/Dining Room, Kitchen, Downstairs WC, Family Bathroom, Garden, Off Road Parking and Garage.

Eythorne



£229,950

This home boasts lounge, dining room, kitchen and utility to the ground floor with three bedrooms and bathroom on the first floor.

Eythorne



£330,000

Executive style four bedroom detached house with integral garage, gardens in village location. Viewing highly recommended. No chain.

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£117,000

A much improved ground floor flat comprising: entrance hall, two bedrooms, lounge opening onto feature roof terrace, fitted kitchen and bathroom/WC.

FOLKESTONE



£127,995

Maisonette comprising of entrance hall, kitchen, bathroom/WC, lounge, dining room and bedroom two to the first floor.

FOLKESTONE



£135,000

This split level second floor flat comprises: entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom/WC. Part double glazing and night storage heating.

HAWKINGE



£142,000

A modern style mid terrace house comprising: entrance hall, fitted kitchen, lounge, cloakroom, two bedrooms and bathroom/WC.

FOLKESTONE



OIEO £150,000

A well presented mid terrace house comprising: entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, shower room/WC, separate WC and three bedrooms.

FOLKESTONE



£209,995

Viewing is recommended on this semi-detached house. The property benefits from gas central heating, double glazing, conservatory and gardens.

CHERITON



£210,000

This is an end of terrace house comprising: entrance hall, lounge/diner, two bedrooms, separate WC, fitted kitchen/utility area, three further bedrooms.

SANDGATE



£223,250

A second floor apartment comprising: communal entrance hall, entrance hall, fitted kitchen, lounge/diner with door onto balcony, bathroom/WC and two bedrooms.

SANDGATE



£225,000

A purpose built apartment which has double glazing and a balcony. Comprising: entrance hall, fitted kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom/WC.

FOLKESTONE



£230,000

Viewing is recommended for this semi-detached house. Extensive landscaped rear gardens. Garage. Bloc paved drive for two vehicles.

FOLKESTONE



£285,000

A ground floor apartment situated in a private road. Benefits include: Grade II listed Victorian greenhouse, well stocked private garden.

FOLKESTONE



£299,950

A detached house comprising: entrance hall, cloakroom, fitted kitchen, lounge, dining room, four/five bedrooms and bathroom/WC.

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- Generous tended garden



WHITFIELD **£124,995**

DOVER OFFICE

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- Nearly new apartment
- Two bedrooms
- Sought after development



RIVER **£289,995**

DOVER OFFICE

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- Luxury 3 bedroom Apartment
- Sought after location
- Off street parking



CAPEL LE FERNE **£250,000**

DOVER OFFICE

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- Period Cottage
- Rural location
- Very Charming



FOLKESTONE **£124,995**

FOLKESTONE OFFICE

HFP02649

- Ideal ftb or buy to let
- 2 bedrooms, no chain
- Central heating, double glazing



CHERITON **£139,995**

FOLKESTONE OFFICE

HFP02295

- Two bedrooms
- Two receptions
- Viewing recommended



AYCLIFFE **£124,995**

DOVER OFFICE

BDP02740

- End Terrace
- 2 bed home
- Ideal FTB



DOVER **£199,995**

DOVER OFFICE

BDP02761

- 4 bed Victorian
- Period features
- Sought after home



FOLKESTONE **£99,995**

FOLKESTONE OFFICE

HFP02400

- Split level apartment
- Two bedrooms
- Sea views



WEST END **£129,995**

FOLKESTONE OFFICE

HFP02650

- Spacious 2 bed lower flat
- Central heating, double glazing
- Own patio, own entrance



WEST END **£144,950**

FOLKESTONE OFFICE

HFP02497

- Well presented 2 bed flat
- Popular seafront position
- No forward chain



DOVER **£125,000**

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- Split level maisonette
- Two bedrooms
- Sea & folkestone views, No chain



FOLKESTONE **£130,000**

FOLKESTONE OFFICE

HFP02644

- 3 bedroom terraced home
- Modernisation required
- No forward chain



WEST END **£144,950**

FOLKESTONE OFFICE

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- Views over grimston gardens
- No chain, share of freehold

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- Rural Location
- 3 bedroom
- No Chain



SANDGATE

£176,000

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- 3 Bedroom semi family home
- Popular Golden Valley
- Garage and no chain



FOLKESTONE

£225,000

FOLKESTONE OFFICE

HFP02634

- 5 Bedroom family home
- 2 Receptions, cloakroom
- Courtyard & no chain



WHITFIELD OIEO £225,000

DOVER OFFICE BDP02637

- 5 Bed detached home
- Totally immaculate
- Large plot



DOVER £149,995

DOVER OFFICE BDP02767

- Three bedrooms
- Off street parking
- Kitchen/Diner



FOLKESTONE £145,000

FOLKESTONE OFFICE HFP02633

- 3 bedroom terraced home
- Lounge, kitchen/diner
- Double glazing, central heating



FOLKESTONE £159,995

FOLKESTONE OFFICE HFP02414

- Large family home
- Four bedrooms
- Good location



FOLKESTONE £169,995

FOLKESTONE OFFICE HFP02593

- Westend ground floor apartment
- Three bedrooms, two wc's
- Close to town and seafront



DOVER £95,000

DOVER OFFICE BDP02733

- Two Bedrooms
- NO CHAIN
- Ideal first time buy!



AYCLIFFE £154,995

DOVER OFFICE BDP02702

- Two bed bungalow
- Rarely available
- No chain



FOLKESTONE £149,995

FOLKESTONE OFFICE HFP02515

- 4 bedroom family home
- 2 receptions, modern kitchen
- Well presented, call to view



DOVER £149,500

DOVER OFFICE BDP02727

- Three bedrooms
- Hidden away
- Ready to move into!



SHEPHERDSWELL £249,995

DOVER OFFICE BDP02781

- 4 Double Bedrooms
- CSP & Garage
- No Forward Chain



FOLKESTONE £159,500

FOLKESTONE OFFICE HFP02647

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- Spacious lounge, own garden
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ST MARYS BAY GUIDE £235,000

Screaming Potential, this recently reduced large family home consists of 4-5 bedrooms with ample parking. Situated on the Seaway estates in St Marys Bay this property has potential to be split in to 2 flats. Early viewing is strongly recommended.



LYDD ON SEA GUIDE £210,000

A pretty 3-bedded bungalow ideally positioned offering nearby a local parade of shops and the beach. The bungalow boasts a well-established rear garden and generous sized accommodation. A chain free sale is offered!



DYMCHURCH GUIDE £269,000

A chance to own a delightful bungalow with nearby access to the beach. 3 bedrooms, well presented gardens and ample parking. This perfect family home certainly stands out from the rest!



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A stunning period property boasting 5 bedrooms, 4 reception rooms and a handcrafted bespoke kitchen. An ideal location being a short stroll from local amenities and the beach. Viewing is highly recommended to appreciate the real beauty of this house.



HYTHE GUIDE £219,995

A semi-detached chalet home positioned in a quiet cul-de-sac with a very large newly built detached workshop ideal for someone working from home. Offering 2 bedrooms this property is sure to please!



HYTHE GUIDE £179,950

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MOTORS NEWS



Car show turned on by the power of electricity

DOORS open at the British International Motor Show in London today – the greenest show ever.

The event at the Excel centre runs until August 3 and includes 23 global debuts for new models.

But eco-friendly models like the all-electric zero-emission THINK city car (above) are also grabbing the limelight: the THINK offers a top speed of 65mph, range of 126 miles on a full charge, costs just £100 in electricity to cover 10,000 miles, needs no road tax and is 95 per cent recyclable.



Beamer is going more eco-friendly than ever

BMW's newly-revised 3-Series saloon, coupé, estate and convertible range is not only one of Britain's best-sellers in its class, but also one of the most eco.

Though you will be lucky to spot the makeover cosmetics, the line-up now boasts a greener engine range as well as 'EfficientDynamics' technology introduced previously to cut fuel waste and emissions.

Indeed, emissions are now so low on the economical 318d and top selling 320d diesel models that they almost qualify for the lowest £35/year road tax bracket.



Mitsubishi launch 'mini miser' special edition

ALREADY one of the best superminis for space, durability and value, the Mitsubishi Colt has a new Attivo special edition specifically for motorists looking to downsize from a bigger car.

It comes with sporty alloys and metallic paint plus competitive finance, but a frugal (51.4 mpg combined mode) yet pokey 74bhp 1.1-litre engine that partially justifies its 'Attivo' tag – it means 'energetic' and 'lively' in Italian.

The Attivo is priced at £7,999 for the three-door and £8,499 for the five-door.



THE BEST OF BOTH WORLDS: Volkswagen has hedged its bets by launching two Tiguan: an everyday model and the harder 'Escape' intended for genuine off-roading

Slick Tiguan answering a need for greener 4x4s

ROAD TEST VW TIGUAN

BY STEVE LOADER

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Green rating	★★★★★

OVERALL demand for 4x4s might be in the muck, but some are still squeaky clean.

The VW Tiguan is one that ticks most boxes for a modern-day SUV (sports utility vehicle): compact footprint, top-notch engines, excellent on-road ability and decent off-road powers too.

And VW hedged its bets by launching two Tiguan: an everyday model and the 'Escape' intended to allow owners to do just that.

It puts most other compact 'soft-roaders' in their place when the going gets tough, with a shorter front overhang – that improves the styling in my opinion – radiator and sump guards, plus a standard-fit 'off-road mode' that optimises hill descent control and other driver/mechanical aids.

But 'long nose' rather than Escape versions claim 95 per cent of Tiguan sales and usually in 2.0-litre diesel mid-range SE trim (£21,770 for 138bhp version) as tested here, though high diesel fuel prices make a strong case for the so-called 'twin charger' Tiguan, featuring a lightweight 148bhp 1.4-litre petrol engine with supercharger and turbocharger, allowing decent economy plus diesel style pulling power

and low emissions. It certainly makes the Tiguan feel nimble and knocks around £1,000 off prices for diesel equivalents.

Nevertheless, the 2.0-litre diesel is the consummate all-rounder: smooth, refined and powerful.

The Tiguan interior is typical VW, mixing robust quality, good ergonomics and stowage and fine seating. Space engineering is excellent so, despite being roughly the same size as key competitors, the car feels more spacious and has a decent boot plus lift-up tailgate and room for a spare wheel.

The car has a maximum five-star rating for occupant protection by Euro NCAP, plus four stars for child safety and two stars for pedestrian protection.

The Tiguan is also one of the best 'drives' in class. The ride is firmish, but the chassis ensures that a relatively high vehicle corners with a flat stance. With the low down pulling power of the test car's 2.0-litre diesel, the Tiguan can be pushed hard on a challenging road, aided by a precise six-speed gearbox allowing steady and quiet motorway cruising too.

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BY STEVE LOADER

FORGIVE a whiff of smugness at your local Skoda dealer this week when the all-new Superb model arrives.

For this smart new model says a final goodbye to an era that lingered overlong – Skoda jokes.

Mickey-taking began in the late 1980s when the Czech brand's rear-engine Estelle began to look hopelessly obsolete against modern Western models such as the VW Golf and Ford Escort.

A favourite jibe was "How do you double the value of a Skoda? Fill the tank."

Skodas were cheap, spacious and rugged and extra traction gained from pairing engine and driving wheels at the back suited poor quality roads in the old Soviet empire, but the Estelle and its optimistically named Rapid sister delivered questionable handling on modern faster roads in the UK – as I found during a wet test drive in the late 1980s.

Nevertheless, reliability and a successful rally heritage inspired loyalty amongst a small band of owners and dealers such as Adamsons at Walmer, Deal, which is now reaping the rewards of sticking with the brand for some 30 years through thick and thin.

The thin was the Estelle. Proprietor Robbie Adamson admitted: "It had its funny ways, but it cost just £2,399 and came with two-and-a-half years' warranty – quite a deal for those days."

"Skoda is so different now though, since the takeover by VW. The little Fabia is our best-seller by far and the environmentally-friendly Greenline version is creating a lot of interest, while the Octavia is a fabulous option for business users."

But he added tomorrow's unveiling of the luxurious yet still affordable new Superb would complete the brand's transformation.

Prices start from £15,490 and threaten cars like the Ford Mondeo, forthcoming Vauxhall Insignia and even the German executive marques.

Unlike the outgoing car, a stretched and 'warned over' VW Passat, the new car is a

Feeling smug at Skoda – but no jokes please



TEAM: Adamsons has a long-established commitment to Skoda says proprietor Robbie Adamson (fourth from left)

completely new model with dual-purpose load space access via a conventional bootlid that can also become a hatchback at the touch of a button.

Mr Adamson said it could satisfy those who liked hatchbacks for their ability to cope with big loads and those who preferred the 'executive' look of a booted saloon.



EVOLVING: Rear engine Estelle (above) spawned Skoda jokes ...but the all-new Superb (below) will end them once and for all



"We have had a lot of interest from existing customers even though the car does not arrive until September, but we can accommodate more if people contact us at 01304 381300."

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Model shown is New Superb Elegance 1.8 TSI 160bhp at £21,475 RRP including optional metallic paint at £400 RRP. Official fuel consumption in mpg (litres/100km) for the New Superb Range: Urban 19.0 (14.9) – 38.7 (7.3), Extra-urban 40.9 (6.9) – 58.9 (4.8), Combined 28.2 (10.0) – 49.6 (5.7). **CO2 emissions (g/km) Superb Range 151 – 238 g/km.**

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323, 2.0 Sport 5dr (AC), 26/07/2002, cd player driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, black, 62385 miles, £3800, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 08444 993231 (TRADE)

5, TS2 2.0 110PS 5dr MPV, Jan 2006 gl55hyt, two previous keepers, power steering remote central locking, air con, electric windows, 6 speed gearbox, full service history, radio/cd player, cd, twin/side/curtain airbags, abs brakes, engine immobiliser, car alarm, electric door mirrors, tinted glass, rear wash/wipe, adp steering column, seat height adjuster, sports seats, seven seats, alloy wheels, carbon grey metallic, 15,000 miles, £12, 995, Hollis Motors, Dover, 01304 206710 (TRADE)

626, 1.8i LXI, 1997, insurance group 14, 2 owners, service history, central locking, front electric windows, power steering, air con, immobiliser, platinum silver, 77000 miles, £1489, A 1 Carriages, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

MAZDA6, 6 ts2, remote central locking, cd player, power steering, air con, immobiliser, platinum silver, 64000 miles, £5499, Marshams, 01622 200 100 (TRADE)

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COOPER S, 1.6 3 DR, 2002, trim: cloth engine size: 1600 transmission: manual no. of doors: 3, black, 42000 miles, £3395, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

ONE, 1.6 3dr, 30/09/2005, cd player abs driver airbag power steering immobiliser electric windows, blue, 20237 miles, £9999, Invicta Motors, Ashford, 01233 504400 (TRADE)

ONE, 3dr, ay02 uxo, remote central locking, alarm, rear wash/wipe, rear headrests, height adjustable seat, adjustable steering column, electric windows, electric mirrors, front fog lamps, cd player, radio, twin air bags, abs, power steering, cloth upholstery, black, 21900 miles, £2995, Kings Highway Garage Ltd, Plumstead, 020 8855 4000 (TRADE)

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Closing date: Friday, 8 August 2008

Interview: Wednesday, 27 August 2008

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(Port Lympne)

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(Howletts and Port Lympne)

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Junior Technical Support Officer

26th August 2008

Web Analyst/Programmer

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Nacro is the principal crime reduction charity in England and Wales. It works to reduce crime by delivering a range of socially inclusive crime prevention initiatives by working for a fair and effective criminal justice system and by resettling offenders.

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As our provision extends we are looking for lively, self motivated individuals who enjoy the challenge of working with people of all ages but, in particular, young people.

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SCHOOLS PROJECT CO-ORDINATOR

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KEY SKILLS TRAINER (Maternity Cover)

£17,658 to £19,658 per Annum (inc. Labour Market Uplift)

We work in partnership to deliver our successful Entry to Employment Programme (e2e). This programme is for young people aged 16 - 18 and requires an enthusiastic, lively, Creative individual to join our staff team. You will be experienced in using imaginative new techniques to encourage young people to take opportunities offered to progress them into further education, training or employment. Experience in employer engagement would be desirable.

This position will be subject to an enhanced CRB check

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Closing date: Midday, 12th August 2008.

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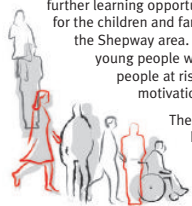
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A CAMPAIGN against business rates for empty commercial premises being waged by the Thanet and East Kent Chamber has gone to the highest levels.

Chief executive David Foley and president Bill Moses met the area director of South East England Development Agency, Dr Susan Priest, who is responsible for Kent and Medway in Chatham.

They stressed that with the building of new shops, offices, factories and warehouses by the private sector coming to a virtual stop, some companies are even demolishing their empty buildings to avoid paying business rates.

Dr Priest will raise the issue with the Government Office of the South East.

Take a flyer to win voucher for restaurant

DINERS who nominate their favourite restaurants to OrderOnlineNow, a new free web-based takeaway food ordering and reservation service, will receive a voucher to eat at restaurants which join the on-line community.

It is being launched in Kent with a million promotional fliers being distributed. Once established here, the model will be rolled out across the country.

Customers will be able to search and choose restaurants, select food and order takeaways, home deliveries and reserve a table. It's the brainchild of Bethersden businessman Andrew Frisby.

Uni joins research team studying 'third sector'

THE University of Kent has joined forces with other institutions to develop research and analysis into groups such as charities, social enterprises and small community organisations.

Collectively known as the 'third sector', the university has forged links with the University of Birmingham's Third Sector Research Centre.

The centre receives funding from the Economic and Social Research Council, Office of the Third Sector and The Barrow Cadbury Trust. It will receive £10.25 million over the next five years.

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Business Editor Tony Patey looks ahead as the credit crunch bites

John's determination pays off with award

Dyslexic businessman's battle against the odds

■ BY TONY PATEY

A DOVER entrepreneur, who has triumphed over personal adversity to successfully establish his own business, has been named one of the southern region's top 10 business 'heroes' in the Barclays Trading Places Awards, at a gala luncheon in Brighton.

The Government-backed awards, now in their fourth year, are supported by Jobcentre Plus and The Prince's Trust.

They recognise men and women who have overcome various barriers and battled against the odds to set up in business.

Being profoundly dyslexic has presented John Tipping, 42, with many challenges. He was bullied at school, told by teachers he would go nowhere and left unable to read and write.

However, he had great determination. He started as a baker and then became a road maker. But dyslexia still caused problems and he became depressed.

Despite this, he turned his life around, largely thanks to Access to Work, which provided him with a computer and a tailored training programme on how to use it.

In fact, with the use of specialist software, John was able to read and write – and even managed to send his first email.

With his new found confidence, John soon discovered an entrepreneurial streak and in February 2007, set up UV Shield – an eco-friendly window fitting company.

Barclays marketing director for local business, John Davis, a judge on the panel, said: "The caliber of this year's entries is really outstanding and we hope that with this recognition UV Shield will continue on the road to success."



FIGHTING SPIRIT: Graham Cooper, Barclays southern regional director, presents John Tipping (right) with his award

"We also hope John's story will inspire other budding entrepreneurs in Kent, who face similar difficulties to come forward and turn their own business dreams into reality."

Other supporters of the awards are the Department for Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform (BERR), The National Federation of Enterprise Agencies (NFEA) and Microsoft.

Ten national finalists will be selected to attend a glittering gala dinner in London on 7 October and each will be awarded £1,100 of desktop software by Microsoft.

The winner will receive a further £2,300 of Microsoft server software.

In addition, the winner and runner-up will receive £10,000 and £5,000 respectively, courtesy of Barclays.

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Park hold strong in battle with rivals

FOLKESTONE'S second string proved to be too strong for their counterparts from Sibton Park as they earned a winning draw at the weekend.

Batting first, Folkestone's batters proved to be in good form as they put together enough partnerships to score 258-6.

In reply, Folkestone's bowlers managed to keep a reign on the Sibton batsmen as they ended on 202-9.

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Kent racer Jay Bridger on his chance of winning the Formula 3 Championship

Folkestone win puts Sibton in the drop zone

FOLKESTONE earned the bragging rights as they beat local rivals Sibton Park by 58 runs at the weekend.

The home side won the toss and elected to bat, but lost opener Luke Samarasinghe early on for eight. Daniel Clark (48) and Himanshu Waingankar (48) put on a partnership of 67 for the second wicket, but from there things went downhill for the home side. They continued to lose wickets and in the end limped to 173-8 from their 50 overs.

Christopher Spring and Ben Allon were chief tormentors with three wickets apiece, while Chris Heath and Trevor Lewis both claimed a wicket.

The away side suffered a dreadful

CRICKET

BY GLENN PEARSON

start, losing opener John Osbourne without a run on the board.

Spring steadied the ship for Sibton with a well-crafted 52, but wickets continued to fall at the other end.

John Champion claimed 4-17 and Samarasinghe 4-33 to inflict defeat on their rivals as Sibton slumped to 115 all out.

The win moved Folkestone up to fifth in Division One, while Sibton Park remain rooted at the bottom of the league.



STEADY: Folkestone beat local rivals Sibton Park, taking them up to fifth

Kent League Division One

Folkestone 1st XI v Sibton Park 1st XI

Folkestone

	Runs
Daniel Clark	b Allon 48
Luke Samarasinghe	lbw b Lewis 8
H Waingankar	ct Allon b Spring 48
Craig Coleman	c & b Spring 0
Sher Khanagha	ct Newman b Allon 6
Laurence Ward	b Spring 4
David Miles	ct Hobbs b Allon 14
Andy Bray	ct Newman b Heath 8
John Champion	not out 10
Stewart Graham	not out 0
Michael James	did not bat 0

Extras (4b 5lb 5w 5nb) 19
Total (8 wickets, 50 overs) 173

Bowlers	0	M	R	W
Trevor Lewis	15	5	34	1
Sam Newman	6	0	25	0
Chris Heath	12	1	47	1
Christopher Spring	10	0	31	3
Ben Allon	7	0	27	3

Sibton Park

	Runs
John Osborn	ct Graham b Bray 0
Ben Allon	lbw b Champion 17
Christopher Spring	c & b Champion 52
Tom Payne	b Champion 0
Janie Weeler	b Samarasinghe 11
Steve Hobbs	c & b Samarasinghe 9
Leadbetter	ct Champion b Samarasinghe 2
Martin Wren	lbw b Samarasinghe 2
Chris Heath	lbw b Waingankar 9
Sam Newman	b Champion 1
Trevor Lewis	not out 1

Extras (1b 1lb 3w 6nb) 11
Total (all out, 42.2 overs) 115

Bowlers	0	M	R	W
Andy Bray	6	1	23	1
Michael James	5	1	19	0
John Champion	15	5	17	4
Craig Coleman	4	0	21	0
Luke Samarasinghe	11	2	33	4
H Waingankar	0.2	0	0	1

LOCAL CRICKET ROUND-UP

KENT PREMIER LEAGUE

Beckenham 1st XI v
Sandwich Town 1st XI

SANDWICH slumped to an 86-run defeat to league-leaders Beckenham which saw them drop into the Premier Division's bottom two.

Chris Isles was the star of the show for Beckenham as he top scored with 91 from 139 balls including nine fours and two sixes. He was helped along the way by Kent Academy all-rounder Alex Blake who scored 48 at less than a run-a-ball and James Evans scored 30.

Sandwich lost Kent youngster Sam Northeast for just 18 at the top of the order and wickets fell at regular intervals. Only Leon Johnson hung around with 61, but it proved in vain as Sandwich were eventually all out 152.

Beckenham

	Runs
Chris Isles	b Goatham 91
James Evans	ct Johnson b Goatham 30
James Goodman	ct Spanton b Johnson 18
Alex Blake	ct Beaumont b Northeast 48
Leigh Walker	st Wellard b Goatham 11
Richard Bedbrook	lbw b Northeast 6
Brendan McDonald	b Goatham 0
Oliver Howick	ct Bradley b Northeast 20
Duncan Spencer	ct Bradley b Goatham 1
Alistair Owen-Browne	not out 1
Alistair Lee	not out 1

Extras (1b 3lb 5w 2nb) 11
Total (9 wickets, 55 overs) 238

Bowlers	0	M	R	W
Jack Bradley	6	0	32	0
Craig Spanton	11	3	26	0
Craig Snell	3	1	15	0
Leon Johnson	10	1	47	1
Robert Goatham	14	2	60	5
Sam Northeast	11	0	54	3

Sandwich Town

	Runs
Michael Beaumont	ct Spencer b Lee 22
Sam Northeast	lbw b Lee 18
Leon Johnson	ct Bedbrook b Goodman 61
Robert Goatham	ct Walker b McDonald 7
David Draper	ct Howick b McDonald 8
Kevin Beaumont	b McDonald 17
David Scarr	b Bedbrook 3
Steve Wellard	b Goodman 0
Craig Snell	lbw b Blake 5
Craig Spanton	run out 1
Jack Bradley	not out 0

Extras (2b 4lb 4w 2nb) 10
Total (all out, 54.8 overs) 152

Bowlers	0	M	R	W
Alex Blake	9	1	42	1
Alistair Lee	9	2	29	2
Brendan McDonald	15	4	38	3
James Goodman	6	2	13	2
Richard Bedbrook	2.3	1	2	1

KENT FEEDER LEAGUE 1E

Kennington 1st XI
v Old Hartsdonians 1st XI

OLD HARTSDONIANS were heavily beaten by Kennington, despite a superb century from Dave Wheeler.

Grant Langfield clubbed 125, while Jeremy Grove hit 78 as the home side amassed 283-6 from their 46 overs. All the Old Harts bowlers suffered, although Marc Smith claimed 3-64 from his 12 overs.

In reply, Wheeler hit a splendid 106 at the top of the innings for the visitors but he ran out of partners as Kennington's bowlers applied the squeeze.

Chris Watts claimed excellent figures of 4-30 as Old Harts were bowled out for 191, handing Kennington a 92-run victory.

Kennington

	Runs
Grant Langfield	ct Cunningham b M Smith 125
Oliver Finch	ct Turner b M Smith 4
Chris Watts	ct Strike b Wheeler 28
Jeremy Grove	ct Mackie b J Smith 78
Joshua Last	b M Smith 6
Robert Isles	b Mackie 20
David Finch	not out 5
James Isles	not out 1
Robert Dagger	did not bat 0
Timothy Branchett	did not bat 0
Alan Hart	did not bat 0

Extras (1lb 4lb 1w) 16
Total (6 wickets, 46 overs) 283

Bowlers	0	M	R	W
Jarrett Smith	10	1	52	3
Marc Smith	12	2	64	3
Dave Wheeler	6	0	54	1
Robert Strile	8	0	44	0
Martin Mackie	10	0	56	1

Old Hartsdonians

	Runs
Dave Wheeler	ct O Finch b D Finch 106
Marc Smith	b Grove 0
Josh Smith	b Grove 0
Guy Cunningham	ct Dagger b Isles 2
Ben Pugh	c & b Langfield 20
Robert Strile	b Watts 24
Martin Mackie	ct Hart b Watts 0
Michael Turner	b Watts 0
Darren Cousins	ct Watts b D Finch 10
Paul Heade	b Watts 4
Jarrett Smith	not out 1

Extras (2b 3lb 18w 1nb) 24
Total (all out) 191

Bowlers	0	M	R	W
James Isles	4	0	16	1
Jeremy Grove	7	2	39	2
David Finch	12	0	57	2
Grant Langfield	4	0	27	1
Paul Heade	7.5	1	30	4
Alan Hart	3	0	22	0

KENT FEEDER LEAGUE 1A

Yalding 1st XI v
Deal Victoria & Barns Close 1st XI

DEAL'S batsmen failed to deliver against Yalding as they went down by 58 runs at the weekend.

Usman Pervaz was the hero for the home side as he clubbed an unbeaten 79 from 69 balls including five fours and four sixes, to help his side set a competitive 202-7.

Alex Hinkins (2-33) and Stephen Moran (2-50) were the pick of the Deal attack.

In reply, Deal never really got going as they lost wickets at crucial stages of the run chase. Sam Killip top scored with 37, but in the end it proved in vain as Deal slumped to defeat.

Yalding

	Runs
Peter Bowles	ct Birkett b Hinkins 0
Graham Hutchins	ct Brannan b G McNamara 34
James Dugmore	b Moran 47
Zeeshan Fazal	ct Marsh b Moran 9
Usman Pervaz	not out 79
Marcus Aimey	b Cunningham 20
Martin Holmes	run out 1
Harsh Tataria	ct Brannan b Hinkins 3
James Bowles	not out 2
John-Jacob Britz	did not bat 0
D Gnanapiragasam	did not bat 0

Extras (2b 3w 2nb) 7
Total (7 wickets, 46 overs) 202

Bowlers	0	M	R	W
Alex Hinkins	11	3	33	2
John Cunningham	9	1	49	1
Scott McNamara	4	0	25	0
Graham McNamara	12	2	43	1
Stephen Moran	11	1	50	2

Deal Victoria & Barns Close

	Runs
David Gibb	ct Dugmore b Holmes 22
Matthew Carley	ct Bowles b Gnanapiragasam 0
Sam Killip	ct Gnanapiragasam b Pervaz 37
Austen Marsh	ct Pervaz b Holmes 0
Mark Birkett	b Pervaz 23
Robbie Brannan	ct Pervaz b Tataria 16
Stephen Moran	ct Bowle b Tataria 16
Alex Hinkins	ct Britz b Tataria 5
Scott McNamara	ct Bowle b Aimey 9
John Cunningham	b Aimey 8
Graham McNamara	not out 1

Extras (4b 1lb 2w) 7
Total (all out, 41.1 overs) 144

Bowlers	0	M	R	W
John-Jacob Britz	3	0	15	0
D Gnanapiragasam	7	2	24	1
Martin Holmes	9	0	40	2
Usman Pervaz	9	1	16	2
Harsh Tataria	9	2	26	3
Marcus Aimey	6.1	2	18	2

KENT FEEDER LEAGUE 2A

Macknade 2nd XI
v Betteshanger Colliery Welfare 2nd XI

A DISAPPOINTING display with the bat cost Betteshanger as they lost by 90 runs at Macknade.

The Swale side scored 195-9 from their 46 overs thanks to a half century from Mark Cook. Gareth Friend finished with figures of 3-38 and Martin Cheesman ended with 3-31.

When it was Betteshanger's turn to bat, only Barry Wilson with 33 showed the necessary application before he became one of three wickets for Andy Perkin.

Cheesman with 17 was the only other batsmen to register double figures as the away side were bowled out for 105.

Macknade

	Runs
Andy Dodd	b R Dadd 9
Nigel Gammon	not out 24
Mark Cook	ct E Dadd b Cheesman 57
Chris Smith	ct Cheesman b Friend 17
Tim Gates	run out 0
Andy Perkin	ct Aird b Smart 15
James Newington	b Cheesman 2
Will Dear	b Friend 2
Peter Thompson	ct Dadd b Friend 9
Dale Mewitt	b Cheesman 9
Stephen Freed	not out 21

Extras (18b 6lb 1w 1nb) 26
Total (9 wickets, 46 overs) 195

Bowlers	0	M	R	W
Richard Dadd	11	1	39	1
Mark Mortimer	3	0	5	0
Peter Smart	12	1	46	1
Martin Jones	3	0	16	0
Gareth Friend	10	1	38	3
Martin Cheesman	8	1	31	3

Betteshanger Colliery Welfare

	Runs
Barry Wilson	ct Thompson b Perkin 33
Gareth Friend	ct Perkin b Dear 2
Aaron Friend	run out 8
Barry Clark	lbw b Thompson 8
Martin Cheesman	b Perkin 17
Joe Aird	c & b Thompson 5
Martin Jones	run out 1
Mark Mortimer	ct Smith b Perkin 9
Edward David	run out 7
Richard Dadd	b Smith 5
Peter Smart	not out 4

Extras (3b 3nb) 6
Total (all out, 44.1 overs) 105

Bowlers	0	M	R	W
Will Dear	10.1	1	26	1
Dale Mewitt	5	2	15	0
Peter Thompson	12	4	25	2
Andy Perkin	12	1	21	3
Chris Smith	5	1	15	1

Hess signs trialists ahead of campaign

FOOTBALL

BY TOM HOWARD

DOVER Athletic boss Andy Hessenthaler has added to his squad ahead of the new season with Jerahl Hughes and Josh Massbach agreeing terms with the Ryman Premier League club.

Both Hughes and Massbach have impressed while on trial with the reigning Ryman South champions, which has seen Hessenthaler move quickly.

Hughes, who scored for Dover last week in a pre-season friendly against Folkestone, has signed a two-year deal at Crabble.

The winger, who was a product of Crystal Palace's youth system, has been a target of Hessenthaler and assistant Darren Hare's ever since they joined the club.

Hessenthaler told yourdover: "Hughes on the wing looked very good against Folkestone. He has pace and can pass the ball well."

The skilful winger, who will be 19 next month, went to Worthing on loan at the end of last season.

Massbach, who can play in



NEW GAME: Jerahl Hughes (in white) signed on for Dover Athletic after showing his skills in the club's pre-season friendlies

defence or midfield, has signed on a non-contract basis at Crabble.

Hessenthaler said: "He has been out the game for a while but has impressed considering that. He almost made the England Schoolboys squad which shows he has real quality."

With the Ryman League fixtures announced last week, Dover have been handed a difficult

opening month. The Whites begin with a home match against Harrow Borough (August 16) before trips to Dartford (August 19) and AFC Hornchurch on August 23.

Hess added: "We have got to play the hard teams some time so why not get them out the way early. Dartford and Hornchurch will be tough to start with."

"I am sure there will be a massive crowd at Dartford, which we will look forward to."

Midfielder Sammy Moore is likely to be out of action for two weeks after twisting his knee against Folkestone.

Dover Athletic's third pre-season friendly against League Two side Dagenham & Redbridge ended 1-1 at Crabble on Saturday.

Picture: SIMON HARRIS



IN FORM: Kent celebrate reaching Twenty20 finals

Tickets sell out as Spitfires fans head to the Rose Bowl

CRICKET

THE KENT Spitfires travel to the Rose Bowl this weekend looking to make it back-to-back Twenty20 trophy wins.

Rob Key's side face the Essex Eagles in the first semi-final of the day, but the winners will not only boast of a place in the afternoon's final, they will also be the first county to represent England in this summer's inaugural Champions League.

Spitfire fans have been flocking to the St Lawrence Ground to get their tickets for Saturday's Twenty20 finals day at Hampshire's Rose Bowl.

The demand for tickets has been so high that the club have had to get more from the Rose Bowl, making Kent the best-supported club in the final.

The club sold their allocation last week and have gone back for a further 300 tickets because demand in the county has been so high.

Kent's commercial and operations director Jon Fordham said the club were a little taken aback at the demand to see Key's side in the final.

He said: "It has been a novel experience which took us by surprise, really, because of the level of interest from supporters."

"Last year for Twenty20 finals day we had to return about 500 tickets of the 1,600 we were given."

"But we sold out our allocation by Thursday morning and we managed to get a further 300 from the Rose Bowl."

"By the looks of it we will have sold 1,800 tickets, which will make Kent the best-supported club out of the four finalists."

While the Twenty20 tickets have been selling like the proverbial hot cakes, so too have places for the Friends Provident Trophy final against the Essex Eagles at Lord's on August 16.

The club have already sold their 4,500 allocation and Fordham has been selling a further 1,000 that he received last week.

Essex are yet to put their tickets on sale and it is expected they will be unable to sell their allocation and may have to return some. Fordham has not ruled out asking for some more for Kent if the demand is still high.

Picture: IAN KIRK

Cugley not surprised Bremner chose to go

FOOTBALL

FOLKESTONE Invicta player of the season Leigh Bremner has signed for Ryman Premier League side Carshalton Athletic.

The striker scored 13 league goals in a season that saw Neil Cugley's side relegated from the Ryman Premier League on the last day of the campaign.

Invicta boss Cugley expected Bremner to leave the Buzzlins Stadium and is slightly disappointed to have lost the promising striker.

Cugley said: "To be honest, the move was not unexpected. We had tried to get hold of him this week but we had no response."

"I think he has probably received a better offer than we can produce. I am afraid that money talks in football."

"He has been a good player for us and I felt that if he stayed with us he could make it as a Conference player."

Cugley has been looking at possible strikers to add to his squad after he gave a trial to former Dover striker Byron Walker in a pre-season friendly 4-0 defeat at Dover Athletic on Tuesday.

He said: "We are still looking



COSTLY: Leigh Bremner has left Folkestone to play for Carshalton

for a striker. Byron impressed me at Dover but we have Jimmy Corbett who can play up front as well as Craig Wilkins. I will continue to look at a few players I have on trial."

Former Maidstone United and Dover player Wilkins missed the pre-season friendly at Crabble with an injury.

Cugley insists they will not rush him to be fit for Invicta's next pre-season friendly against Faversham Town.

Hythe raid Folkestone to give Town boss hope

FOOTBALL

HYTHE Town have signed Ben Sly from Folkestone Invicta and expect former midfielder Dave Cook to rejoin the club this week.

Town boss Paul Fisk has also added 18-year-old midfielder Joe Hitching to his squad from Ashford and is delighted with his current crop of new players.

Cook, who played for the club before moving to neighbours Invicta last season, watched on as Hythe beat Kent County League side Lydd Town 5-0 on Saturday. He informed Fisk he wants to return to Hythe, but it looks as though they may have to put in a seven day approach before he is able to sign.

Fisk said: "I spoke to Dave Cook at Lydd and he wants to come back to Hythe. We have got in contact with Folkestone and I don't think their manager Neil Cugley is very happy and has asked us to put in an official approach."

"We had about 20 players at Lydd which is a good start so I think our biggest problem is working out what our best formation is and who our best players are to start the season."



FLYING: Hythe have a good crop of new players to start the season

With the addition of Cook, Sly and Hitching, Hythe should again be fighting for a place at the top of the Kent League.

However, Fisk is concerned the budgets at other clubs in the division will make the Kent League even more competitive.

He said: "We would have high expectations if it were not for other teams in the Kent League signing star players and having better finances."

"We are just quietly but confidently going about our business and we will be aiming to do as well as last season."

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